



1. IndyGo CEO Inez Evans, 2. Indianapolis City-County Council President Vop Osili, 3. Mayor Joe Hogsett, 4. Rep. Andre Carson, 5. Ashley Gurvitz, with the Alliance for Northeast Unification. All spoke at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Purple Line on Feb. 25, 2022, on East 38th Street.

Shovels are placed in the dirt at the groundbreaking ceremony for the Purple Line. (Photos/Tyler Fenwick)

IndyGo breaks ground on PURPLE LINE

By TYLER FENWICK
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City leaders broke ground Feb. 25 on the Purple Line, a 15-mile bus rapid transit (BRT) project that will connect downtown Indianapolis to Lawrence and bring infrastructure improvements such as sidewalks, curb ramps and street paving. Even in the wet, cold weather, it was a celebratory atmosphere in a parking lot near the corner of East 38th Street and North Arlington Avenue. From funding uncertainties to Statehouse politics to the COVID-19 pandemic, ceremoniously scooping and tossing some dirt marked a major step forward for IndyGo and the Marion County Transit Plan. Construction is expected to begin March 7, with the line expected to open in 2024.

“The start of Purple Line construction symbolizes the beginning of new opportunity and growth for an entire community,” CEO Inez Evans said. From Lawrence to downtown, the Purple Line will go south on Post Road and then west on 38th Street before going south again at Meridian Street. The route then goes west at 18th Street, south at Capitol Avenue and west to the Julia M. Carson Transit Center. The route will share some of its 30 stops with the Red Line, which opened in 2019. Mayor Joe Hogsett said supporting public transportation is about more than getting from Point A to Point B on a route; it’s also about connecting people to jobs, health care, education and food. He cited the new Cook Medical manufacturing facility that will open soon along East 38th Street and a new First Merchants Bank location

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The Senate Education and Career Development Committee takes public comment and debates House Bill 1134 at a meeting Feb. 16, 2022, at the Indiana Statehouse. (Screenshot)

CRT-INSPIRED BILL DIES IN SENATE

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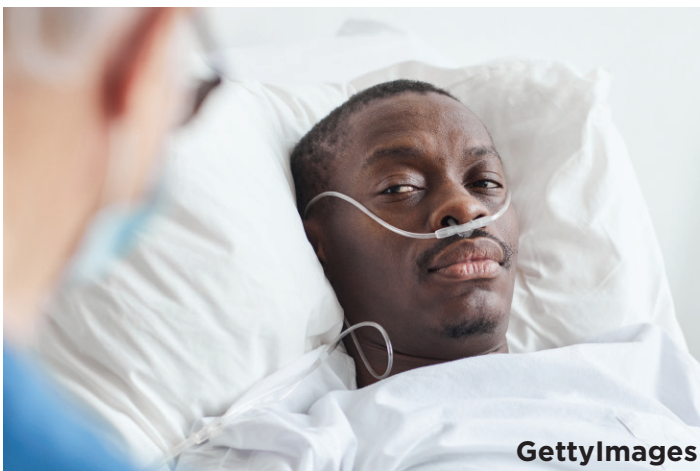
A bill that would have restricted the way Indiana teachers talk about race in classrooms and given more power over curriculum to parents died in the state

Senate on Feb. 28. The controversial bill was part of a backlash from Republicans to debates about critical race theory. The bill included a list of “divisive concepts” related to race and sex that would have been banned in classrooms.

Feb. 28 was the final day for the full Senate to consider amendments to House bills. Republicans spent hours in closed-door discussions and pushed House Bill 1134 to the end of the agenda, but the bill wasn’t called to the floor.

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Hospital CEOs provide updates on pledge to improve health care for Black patients



BY FARAH YOUSRY

Leaders of Indiana’s biggest hospital systems said they have increased staff diversity and put greater emphasis on collecting patient race and ethnicity data over the past year. In a live-streamed public forum Feb. 28, some said they have also expanded access to mental health services and improved maternal care for Black women. The forum, “Treating Racism as a Public Health Crisis,” was hosted by the Greater Indianapolis NAACP and the Indianapolis Recorder in partnership with WFYI. It’s the second in a series of meetings to track hospital systems’ health equity efforts in Indianapolis. Panelists included the CEOs of Community Health Network, Eskenazi Health, Franciscan Health and Indiana University Health. The CEOs previously met in January 2021 and prom-

ised to work on accurate data-gathering, boosting minimum wages and providing more resources to foster diversity, equity and inclusion in the workplace. They identified infant and maternal mortality, diabetes and mental health as key areas to work on. This year’s forum provided an opportunity for hospital leaders to share their progress toward these goals and respond to questions from the community. “In a bold step to improve health outcomes for the Black community, the Indianapolis City-County Council declared racism as a public health crisis,” said Chrystal Ratcliffe, president of the Greater Indianapolis NAACP, in her opening statement. “To that end, the CEOs of four local health care networks stepped up and made accommodations to not only address these disparities, but to eradicate them.”

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Meals on Wheels of Central Indiana marked Black History Month with meal deliveries to clients from leaders in the Black community, highlighting the importance of service. Hank Mosley, missions manager at Eastern Star Church Care Center, delivered meals Feb. 15. Robert Shegog, president and CEO of the Indianapolis Recorder, made deliveries Feb. 21. The 2022 theme for Black History Month was “Black Health and Wellness.” “We are honored to celebrate Black History Month with leaders in our community who are dedicated to improving health outcomes for our Black neighbors, while continuing to build a better quality of life for all citizens,” said Jamie Johnson, interim COO of Meals on Wheels. If interested in volunteering for Meals on Wheels or in need of meal delivery, visit mealsonwheelsindy.org. (Photo provided by Meals on Wheels)



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City leaders broke ground on the upcoming IndyGo Purple Line during a ceremony Feb. 25, 2022, on East 38th Street.

An IndyGo bus sits in a parking lot at a groundbreaking ceremony for the Purple Line on Feb. 25, 2022, on East 38th Street.



in Avondale Meadows. According to IndyGo, about 58,500 people, 60% of whom are minorities, and 134,600 jobs are within walking distance of the Purple Line. “The truth is, in Indianapolis, upward mobility requires actual mobility,” Indianapolis City-County Council President Vop Osili said. Infrastructure improvements will include almost 10 miles of sidewalks, 350 curb ramps compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, new street paving, a multi-use path and storm sewer separation. Like the Red Line, most of the Purple Line route will have painted bus-only lanes in the center of the road. Rep. Andre Carson, who got credit for helping secure the federal funding

for the project, said equity in transportation is a civil right and helps advance environmental justice. Purple Line buses will be electric. “This will make us better connected, better prepared to compete in the 21st century and better suited to reduce long-standing inequalities,” he said. The \$188 million Purple Line is the second of three BRT projects IndyGo has planned. The forthcoming Blue Line, which will run 24 miles east and west along Washington Street connecting Cumberland and the airport, will cost an estimated \$220 million. *Contact staff writer Tyler Fenwick at 317-762-7853. Follow him on Twitter @Ty_Fenwick.*

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Even if the bill did advance, the Senate was dealing with a watered-down version of the original. The most significant changes were to the list of banned concepts, which shrank from eight to three. Senate Republicans seemed split on their support of the bill, and it wasn’t clear if they had enough votes to pass it. Though the bill is dead, some of its language could still end up in other legislation. The legislative session is scheduled to end March 14. Sen. J.D. Ford, D-Indianapolis, tweeted after the bill died: “Thank you to all of the educators, students, parents and Hoosiers who shared their concerns about this legislation throughout the process. We must stay vigilant moving forward to ensure this bill doesn’t come back.” Sen. Eddie Melton, D-Gary, thanked teachers and others who spoke out against the bill. “Thank you so much for making your voice heard and fighting for our future generations,” he tweeted. Indiana State Teachers Association President Keith Gambill said in a statement the union will “stay vigilant” to see if parts of the bill show up in other legislation during conference committee, the final phase of the lawmaking process when legislators from both chambers come together to work out differences between bills. Gambill said he hopes lawmakers will “take this opportunity to step back and collaborate with educators, parents, and others to create legislation that everyone can support for the benefit of all of our students.” The bill was a culmination


of complaints from mostly white, suburban parents about critical race theory in schools. Most often they were using critical race theory — an advanced academic framework used in law schools — to refer to anything having to do with discussions about diversity, racism or social emotional learning. Some teachers said the bill would have left

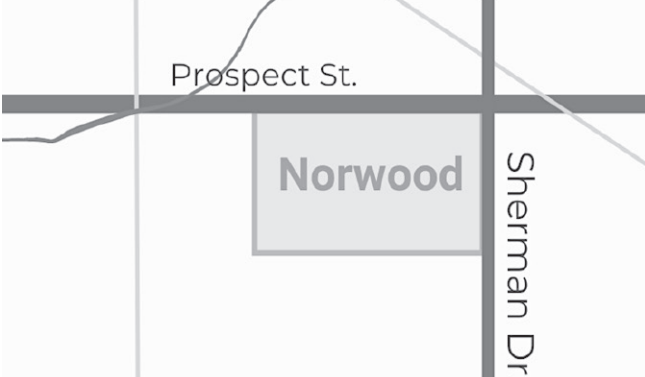
them unclear on what topics are allowed to be discussed in classrooms, making their jobs even more difficult, and they warned such a law would have made the state’s teacher shortage even worse. *Contact staff writer Tyler Fenwick at 317-762-7853. Follow him on Twitter @Ty_Fenwick.*





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IPS makes masks optional, ends contact tracing

By TYLER FENWICK
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Indianapolis Public Schools made masks optional for students, staff and visitors, and the district will no longer identify or quarantine close contacts regardless of vaccination status. The new policies were effective Feb. 28.

Megan Carlson, the district's health services director, said at a school board meeting Feb. 26 the district still strongly encourages wearing a mask while indoors and around others, but added, "We're going to let personal responsibility take over."

IPS, the state's largest school district, will also no longer require social distancing.

The move comes a week after the Indiana State Department of Health revamped COVID-19 guidance for schools, including an end to contact tracing and quarantines for students exposed to COVID-19.

Because of a federal mandate, masks will still be required on school buses. "We know that COVID is still in our community," Carlson said. "We know that people are still testing positive. We

are excited to see that it's on the down-fall, but we still need to remain vigilant in our practices."

Superintendent Aleesia Johnson said the district will remain flexible with its guidance and pay attention to the data. "If the data changes, then we know we'll be positioned and we'll make that change accordingly as well," she said, "but I'm really excited that after two years we'll be able to pivot in this way."

The omicron variant wave seems to have subsided locally and nationally. Marion County's seven-day positivity rate is down to 5.5%, according to the state health department, and the statewide rate is 7.2%. Marion County Public Health Department Director Dr. Virginia Caine has said a prolonged positivity rate of 5% or lower is a good sign that the pandemic is slowing.

Within IPS, the number of positive cases dipped dramatically by the middle of February, going from as high as 331 during a week in the beginning of January down to 19 during the week ending Feb. 12.

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Resolution recognizes Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

By STAFF

A resolution authored by Rep. Robin Shackelford, D-Indianapolis, was approved by the Indiana House of Representatives on Feb. 28, declaring February Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month in the state. "This resolution emphasizes our state's commitment to creating an environment where our young people can live and thrive free of fear of violence," Shackelford said in a statement.

Roughly 1 in 10 teenagers in Indiana

experience physical violence in their relationships, according to Shackelford, and about 1 in 8 experience sexual violence from a partner. Experiencing dating violence as a teenager increases one's chances of experiencing domestic violence as an adult, according to Danyette Smith, the city's director of domestic violence programming in the Office of Public Health and Safety.

Shackelford said she hopes to create comprehensive solutions to teen dating violence and

initiatives to combat the issue, including a grant to the Marion County Prosecutor's Office to educate youth on the warning signs of unhealthy relationships, as well as providing legal support for victims.

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Characteristics that most help our youth achieve their aspirations

By AMAR PATEL



Youth are commonly clear about the future they want for themselves — graduating high school to move on to postsecondary opportunities, pursuing a career they are passionate about and ultimately leading an empowered life of their choosing. This is especially true for Shiloh Rowland, a junior at Shortridge High School. Shiloh dreams of being a chef, an ambition that has only grown with age. In a recent conversation, Shiloh spoke about the skills they need on the journey to that dream.

“Since I’ve conquered one of the hardest questions for a young adult — what do you

want after high school — I now have to think about the steps I’ll have to take to realize my goal,” Shiloh said. “I would also need to work on gaining a skill set that includes having a lot of discipline, persistence and comfort with change.”

Shiloh, like many students in our community, is focused on the future and clear about their dreams. Beyond a dream, though, students need a plan. They deserve to feel confident and equipped with the knowledge, skills, agency and sense of self to propel into a future filled with possibility. Further, to match ambitious goals that youth have for themselves, we need bold action as a community. And bold, results-oriented action tomorrow is derived from knowing where we are today.

This is why I am thrilled that our state, with leadership of the Indiana Department of

Education, has developed a new tool that will be used to measure students’ developmental progress and success.

The Indiana Graduates Prepared to Succeed (Indiana GPS) dashboard will use transparency to show how schools and students are performing over five key characteristics, those known to be predictive of adult success — academic mastery; career and postsecondary readiness: credentials and experiences; communication and collaboration; work ethic; and civic, financial and digital literacy. By measuring success over a variety of predictive measures the dashboard provides a holistic view of not only school performance, which is of course important, but also what matters most in education — youth learning and development on the pathway to a prosperous individual and collective

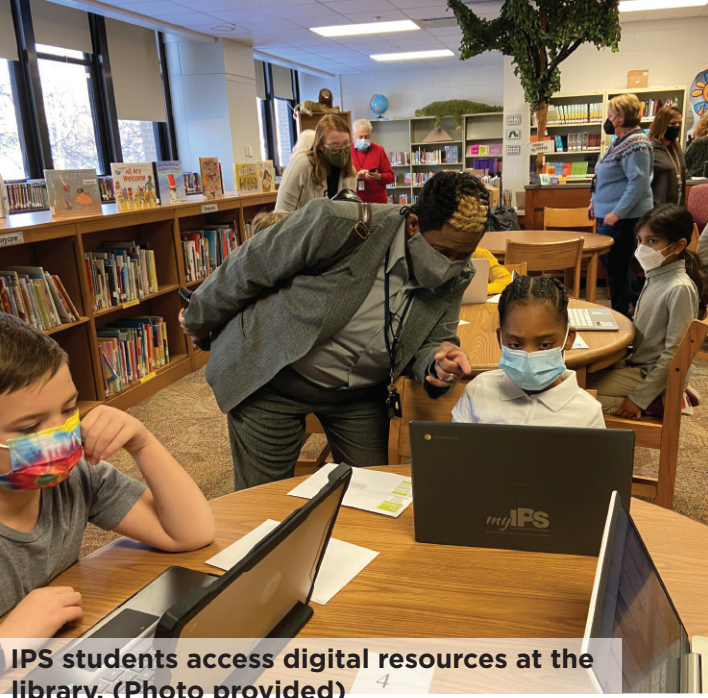
future.

The dashboard is a powerful instrument to be sure, but it’s just that — a tool, not an outcome. Should we successfully implement using this powerful instrument, that is learn and continuously improve to better serve students in achieving a bright future, students like Shiloh can walk boldly ahead equipped with what they need to realize their dreams and ambitions. What’s more, guardians and parents are more deeply empowered with this resource. The new tool can aid in making intentional, fact-based choices as to which learning environments to enroll their children because they will have added data on educational quality commensurate with their interests. True fidelity of use — successful implementation — of this instrument supports outcomes we should all care about.

Together, as a community, we can hold ourselves accountable to ensure progress for our children. Utilizing this dashboard in earnest and forging collective effort and action based on what we learn can help us all meet Shiloh where they are and help them realize their dreams. We will all be better off as a result.

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IPS students receive e-resource cards



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Indianapolis Public Schools (IPS) students now have access to a plethora of digital resources thanks to e-resource cards each student will receive.

The e-resource card is a normal Indianapolis Public Library (IndyPL) card except it’s focused on digital access rather than physical material. The e-resource card provides virtual streaming, online homework help, online database research, e-books, audiobooks, movies, newspapers, articles and more.

IPS has noticed an uptick in students visiting libraries and using materials since the introduction of the e-resource card, Joseph Troyer, IPS district media specialist, said.

“Future plans are being put in motion to use informational resources as a part of instruction and curriculum,” Troyer said.

If a student leaves IPS for a township school, the

e-resource cards would be updated to that specific school system, allowing the student to continue using it.

“Indianapolis Public Library aims for better education for students and to promote lifelong learning,” Cordia Watkins, circulation manager of IndyPL, said.

The e-resource cards are funded from a grant from the Indianapolis Public Library Fund. The program grew out of the initiative, Connected, first started in 2013. IndyPL first partnered with Lawrence Township to create a shared system of textbooks and grew to include more township districts over the years. This is the first year partnering with IPS.

“It is not a one and done,” Watkins said. “There will be continuous participation from schools and libraries and the initiative will continuously be pushed.”

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'The Batman'

By Dwight Brown
NNPA News Wire Film Critic

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Crime is rampant in Gotham City. Murders. Manslaughter. Blood soaks the streets. Citizens live in terror and the police are stumped. On desperate nights a Batman signal lights up the sky and the caped man jumps into action, but even he can't stem the tide: "It's a big city. I can't be everywhere."

"The Dark Night" is the pinnacle of superhero movies. That Batman saga set a very high standard for style, content, acting and production values. It drew you into its dark world with strong visuals and plenty of balletic action that pulled you into Batman's orb, from spectacular fight scenes to gliding magically in air. Arguably, this new chapter is the only other Batman close to that caliber, a stature set by actors Christian Bale and Heath Ledger, director and writer Christopher Nolan and an incomparable cast and crew.

In this incarnation, "The Batman," a string of high-profile and sadistic slayings confounds the police. Lt. James Gordon (Jeffrey Wright, "Angels in America") works tirelessly with his ally Batman (Robert Pattinson) to solve the homicides. As the killings ensnare mayoral candidates and city officials, pressure grows



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to find the serial killer (Paul Dano, "12 Years a Slave") who leaves behind cryptic riddles. A trail of clues leads to an underworld club and key figures: Selina Kyle (Zoë Kravitz), a cocktail waitress; Oswald "Oz" Cobblepot (Colin Farrell), the nightclub owner; and Carmine Falcone (John Turturro), a crimelord. All know more than they'll admit. A clandestine world of payoffs, informants and corruption is revealed.

The primary characters are courtesy of DC Comics. Director and writer Matt Reeves

("Planet of the Apes") and screenwriter Peter Craig ("The Town") add in additional people who are vital to the central crime plotline. They are well developed, three-dimensional and indelible. All spew tone-setting dialogue. The kind that resonates from scene to scene. For example, as the enigmatic Batman assesses how others perceive him, he defines his own persona: "They think I'm hiding in the shadows. But I am the shadow." Add in a very timely premise about out-of-control big city crime waves

and viewers will be hooked for the duration.

Reeves' directorial style emphasizes pageantry over motion. A series of stunning set pieces are peppered with movement, though genre fans may prefer movement seasoned with drama. Which is why, as this whodunit nears the three-hour mark, younger audiences may get a bit ram-bunctious. But if they wait, and they'll have to, Reeves rewards them with bursts of kinetic energy (car chases, fistfights, aerial displays). It's almost enough to make up for any lapses in pacing (editors William Hoy, "Dawn of the Planet of the Apes" and Tyler Nelson, "Mindhunter"). The filmmaker's other blemishes include an inability to bring the footage to an evocative ending. The climax swells perfectly, the final moments do not. Also, when Batman glides through the air, he fails to compellingly show Batman's viewpoint. A perspective that would make audiences gravitate even further into the masked vigilante's aura and make an IMAX viewing mandatory.

The footage's very dark look (color palette by art director Grant Armstrong, "Gravity") sets an ominous mood. Elaborate sets — from Bruce Wayne's mansion to Oz's glam-

orous club scene — draw you into a netherworld. Batman's armor, Catwoman's skintight outfits and The Penguin's suits fit like a glove (costumes designer David Crossman, Glyn Dillon and Jacqueline Durran). Props, clothes, locations and people are all well-lit and lensed (cinematographer Greig Fraser, "Dune: Part One"). And, if the visuals won't astound viewers, the eerie audio track will. Michael Giacchino's musical score intensifies the gloomy, soul searching and fearful atmosphere. Creepy sounds (adr editor Bobbi Banks, "When They See Us") fray nerves. This is the kind of tech team directors and producers gleefully take into battle. The kind that wins Oscars.

Actor Robert Pattinson has been prepping for this iconic role for 14 years. First, he built a fan base with the teen heartthrob "Twilight" franchise, which started in 2008. His gritty performance in the cri/thr "Good Time," mysterious turn in the adv/bio "The Lost City of Z" and gravitas in the art film "The Lighthouse" have primed him. The dual role of furtive Bruce Wayne and brooding Batman is his destiny. He commands attention. Supporting cast members work their spells too. A scene in which Batman and Lt. Gordon furiously interrogate

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‘Kinky Boots’ does not disappoint — and neither does the buffet!



Lola (Jonathan Studdard), center, performs at the Blue Angel Club with her Angels in Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre’s production of “Kinky Boots,” now on stage through March 27. Based on a true story, this high-heeled hit musical features music by pop icon Cyndi Lauper. (Photo provided by Beef & Boards)

By JEANA OUATTARA

I’ve always had the best time at Beef & Boards Dinner Theatre. In fact, Beef & Boards brings back fond childhood memories of my mother taking me and my sisters annually to see the Christmas show. She would dress all of us up in our Sunday’s finest and drive — what seemed like nine days to get clear across town — us to the theater and restaurant. It was so exciting to get to go to the theater, but back then it was all about the buffet for me more so than the show.

Fast forward to 2022 and I must say as excited as I am about the buffet (it still delights the kid in me), it is definitely all about the show now. Y’all, “Kinky Boots” was all that. I loved, loved, loved it! I took a two-and-a-half-hour lunch break to see this movie at the Keystone Art Cinema back in 2006. (That is another story for another time). So, when I heard about it being at Beef & Boards for the first time I had to go. I had to see who portrayed Lola. I am here for Lola.

If you do not know what “Kinky Boots” is about, it’s about a generational family shoe factory now struggling to stay relevant to remain in

business. As fate would have it, Charlie, the new owner who just inherited the shoe factory, meets Lola, an entertainer who performs as a fabulous drag queen, who convinces Charlie to do a line of sexy high-heeled boots. Insert conservative white male shoe company owner trying to figure out how he found himself working with a very intense Black drag queen and you get pure entertainment! There is more to this musical than entertainment and comedy. It all comes down to the main message of accepting people for who they are. I was today years old when I found out this is based on a true story. This makes me love it even more.

Jonathan Studdard was wonderful to watch as Lola. He is fantastic. I was waiting on a death drop from Lola’s Angels the whole night. Did not get that, but I did get a split!

The whole cast is excellent! The music is great. The Beef & Boards atmosphere is perfect, and I already told y’all about the buffet.

“Kinky Boots” runs through March 27.

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BATMAN

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Oz features acting so fiery and accomplished it underlines Pattison, Wright and Farrell’s brilliance. That heaviness is nicely balanced by Kravitz’s lighter, coquettish, downtown vibe that she displays as the plucky young lady who becomes a feline crusader. FYI, Bat and Cat have chemistry.

Andy Serkis as Batman’s valet Alfred is stately. Barry Keogan’s interpretation of Officer Stanley Merkel exhibits an in-your-face, badass New Yorker attitude that’s so apropos. Colin Farrell hides within the Oz/The Penguin character, shielded by makeup (Kat Ali), a fat suit and prosthetics that make him invisible. Dano, as the film’s chief villain, lacks the screen time it takes to build a lasting impression. Ledger as Joker had more scenes, which helped him sear that villain’s image into pop culture history. While Turturro’s sociopathic Carmine Falcone works the screen in a way only DeNiro or Brando could duplicate.


Expect “The Batman” to stun mature audiences. It’s not so easy to judge whether this very adult approach, complex storyline and lack of moment-to-moment action scenes will hook teens and twenty-somethings enough to make repeated screenings an addiction — a prerequisite for boosting box office grosses into the billion-dollar strato-

sphere. TBD.

Reeves, Pattison and the talented cast and crew have created a crime/action/drama extraordinaire. A close

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Horizon House fighting disparities in homelessness

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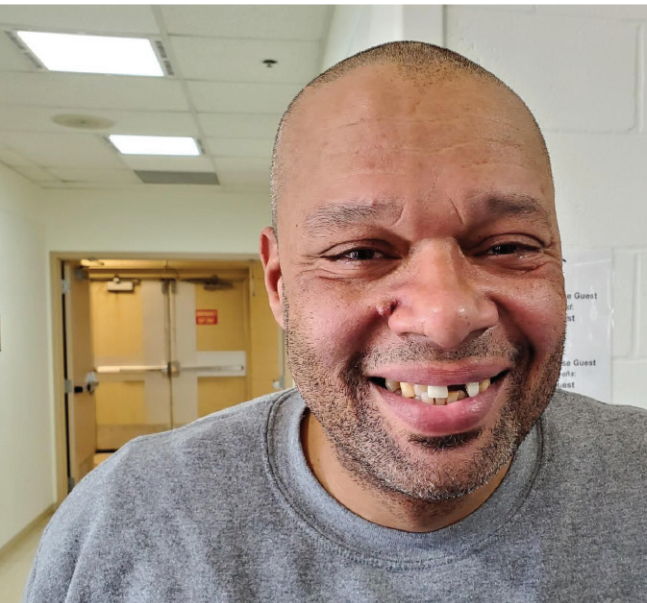
Lamont Howard often takes showers and eats meals at Horizon House, a day center for Indianapolis residents experiencing homelessness. Howard, 53, is one of nearly 6,000 Hoosiers who dealt with housing insecurity in 2021. That year, the Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention announced homelessness in Indiana was at a 10-year high.

Despite only making up 28% of the Indianapolis population, 54% of homeless people in Indianapolis are African American.

Though there are few direct studies examining why homelessness disproportionately impacts African Americans, Jenna Slesinski, marketing and communications strategist for Horizon House, said the disparity is likely the result of discriminatory housing practices and systemic issues.

“For example, are these folks given less leeway on leasing issues such as damages, late rent or deposits?” Slesinski wrote in an email. “Systemic issues such as being more likely to be convicted of the same crimes than white community members will create a criminal record that makes it more challenging to find housing.”

Further, roughly 28% of Black Hoosiers live in poverty — another catalyst for homelessness — compared to the 20% national average.



Lamont Howard is one of nearly 6,000 Hoosiers experiencing homelessness. Howard often uses the Horizon House, a day center connecting people with resources including food and clothing. (Photo provided by Horizon House)

Howard said generational trauma played a role in him becoming homeless. Growing up in the Meadows neighborhood in Indianapolis, Howard saw significant shifts in his community throughout his adolescence. After a white flight from Meadows in the 1970s and ‘80s, the neighborhood suffered years of neglect from the city, and the crime rate rose rapidly, according to the digital archive Encyclopedia of Indianapolis. “I rode my bike all around that neighborhood and there were some good times. My parents had struggled for racial equity,” Howard said. “Their time was marching and Dr. King. What was around me was different. ... I do not believe in making excuses. I do think that there was slavery, then lynchings and segregation, and then hope, but the time of hope didn’t change this world enough. The people around me acted out in anger, without hope.” Making services at the

Horizon House more accessible and inclusive is a priority for the organization in 2022.

“Horizon House has a DEI [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion] Committee of Staff and Board, and this year they will be working with an outside consultant to ensure that we are doing all that we can for the board, staff and those experiencing homelessness to create an organization that is diverse, equitable and inclusive,” Slesinski said. “Horizon House has internally worked to create an inclusive environment, but we believe this objective assessment is necessary to ensure that we are creating the environment and access to services that we intend.”

Among the services provided by Horizon House — which includes access to showers, food and clothing — the day center also offers access to peer support specialists thanks to a \$1.4 million grant from Lilly Endowment in 2021. The specialists work with those in need to

help them find housing, overcome employment barriers and find treatment for substance abuse disorder.

For Howard, Horizon House offers him something he didn’t have much of growing up: hope.

“Horizon House staff were joyful when they saw me,” Howard said. “They are such good-spirited people. I feel their love for me. I have love for them. My next goal is to love and understand myself. I feel confident in my life and future because of my relationship with God. I don’t look at the past anymore. Right now, I’m free. I would tell others, if your past is bad, do not dwell on it. Make new memories.”

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Building a more diverse workforce

Bryan Mills, president and CEO of Community Health Network, said the hospital system hired a new chief diversity officer who reports directly to him and added four new leadership roles to expand DEI education, outreach and belonging and inclusion in the organization. Community Health also added three new board members from diverse backgrounds to its 15-member board.

“I know this sounds like a lot of infrastructure. But if we don’t have infrastructure, anything we do will not be sustained,” Mills said.

Dennis Murphy, president and CEO of IU Health, said the organization will launch a new evaluation tool this year, which will include DEI as part of the performance evaluation of staff. Murphy said IU Health has also added eight new positions including a DEI officer and an officer for health equity. IU Health has also provided more than 46,000 hours of implicit bias training for its staff.

“Our vision was to make Indiana one of the healthiest states, we now always add ‘for all’ as a very simple reminder to everyone,” Murphy said.

Murphy said he is most proud of IU Health increasing its minimum wage to \$18 per hour — something he promised to do during last year’s forum.

Eskenazi Health will also boost minimum wage to \$18 per hour starting in June. Dr. Lisa Harris, CEO of Eskenazi Health, said the decision represents a \$2 million investment.

Eskenazi also now includes DEI goals in their employee appraisals. Eskenazi also added an “upstander” training for clinical providers and staff to make them better allies if they witness anyone experiencing racism or discrimination.

Eskenazi Health also changed its maternal health assessment to identify all Black pregnant women as “high risk.” This ensures that Black mothers-to-be receive the necessary prenatal care designed to reduce risk during pregnancy and delivery. Harris said Eskenazi could have waited for more state data on the issue but decided to take action now instead.

“I don’t want people to think that it’s going to be months before we’re actually acting on some of this,” she said. “We know that there is an increased risk of mortality in Black women. And so we don’t have to wait until we prove that the same is true here.”

Franciscan Health Central Indiana CEO Dr. Jim Callaghan was not part of the first round of discussions in January 2021. But he promised that Franciscan will be adding new equity and inclusion roles this year. He said he also wants to continue to boost engagement with minority- and veteran-owned businesses. Right now, about 29% of Franciscan’s supplier business is from verified economically disadvantaged, woman-owned and minority-owned small businesses.

Callaghan added that Franciscan Health owns a construction company, Tonn and Blank, in Michigan City that provides apprenticeships in building trades for community members. He said the company has a big minority representation.

“So it is training seniors in high school or students who’ve recently graduated from high school to be electricians and carpenters and plumbers, which are in short supply and good paying jobs,”

Callaghan said. “And we’re looking to move that program to Indianapolis next.”

Mental health

The burden of mental illness falls disproportionately on people of color and Eskenazi has seen a surge in mental health needs during the pandemic, Harris said.

“Just as we look at our data at the Sandra Eskenazi Mental Health Center, depression and anxiety have risen to our top two diagnoses by a wide margin,” Harris said.

In response, Harris said they started a “collaborative care model,” which means that primary care and mental health care are integrated. The program is led by a physician and a behavioral health primary care provider — both people of color. Harris said this is an attempt to improve access and convenience to mental health care and reduce stigma.

The collaborative care arrangement also serves to boost reimbursement rates at Eskenazi Health’s Federally Qualified Health Center sites, which will allow the hospital system to hire more mental health professionals, she said.

Moving forward

All hospital CEOs promised to report back in another public forum in six months.

Mills of Community said health equity is now an “embedded” goal in his organization.

Murphy of IU Health agreed. He said his biggest priority is maintaining the pace of improvements — especially in the area of inclusion and community-focused initiatives.

“All of us have made a lot of improvements over the past year. None of them are enough. But they’re all in the right direction,” Murphy said. “We have to maintain the pace, probably for 20 years, if we really want the outcomes that we’re all seeking. This is not a two-, three-, four-year deal. This is going to take us a while.”

Harris of Eskenazi Health promised more work to tackle social determinants of health — factors that affect people’s health outcomes outside of the hospital like housing and access to food.

“You’re gonna hear a lot more about that in the next several months from us about several of our health centers, where we are deliberately partnering with individuals within the community to address the needs that are particular to that community that are standing in the way of the opportunity of good health,” Harris said.

Callagan of Franciscan Health Center Indiana promised to establish a “health equity council” in his organization. He also said he will connect with the National Association of Healthcare Executives in Indiana — an organization for Black health care leaders — to better inform Franciscan’s future DEI efforts.

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As COVID-19 Numbers are Shrinking, Long COVID Remains a Significant Concern

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Many of us have seen in the news recently that the number of those testing positive for the coronavirus has recently dropped considerably. While that’s certainly good news, please understand that a condition referred to as long COVID is real and something you and your loved ones want to avoid.

Long COVID is when uncomfortable and sometimes agonizing symptoms of the coronavirus last for extensive periods of time.

Most of those who contract COVID-19 deal with inconvenient symptoms for a few days or perhaps a week or two. Those symptoms include fatigue, problems with memory and thinking, loss of taste and smell, shortness of breath, insomnia, anxiety and depression. With long COVID, people may experience those sometimes serious annoyances for weeks, months or even as long as a year or more.

Anyone young, old or somewhere in between, may be afflicted with long COVID. Although post-COVID conditions appear to be less common in children and adolescents than in adults, long-term effects do occur in children and adolescents. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) studies have reported long-term symptoms in children with both mild and severe COVID-19 symptoms.

CDC research discovered that long COVID is more prevalent among those who were hospitalized, but it also strikes a significant portion who were not. People who did not experience COVID-19 symptoms in the days or weeks after they were infected can have post-COVID conditions that may persist for different stretches of time.

Experiencing post-COVID conditions can be confusing and frustrating, and a person who feels sick long-term may feel isolated. To determine the

most helpful steps you can take for others, first listen with compassion and ask questions about what they need. The CDC website <https://www.cdc.gov/howrightnow/resources/index.html> provides helpful tools for navigating conversations about the type of support someone with post-COVID conditions may need.

The CDC suggests employers can support their employees experiencing post-COVID by offering flexible leave and work schedule policies, and by providing access to employee assistance programs.

The best way to avoid long COVID is to avoid COVID-19 to begin with. For people who are eligible, getting vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible is the best way to prevent getting COVID-19 and help protect those around you.

People who believe they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should contact their health care provider immediately. If you are ill with flu-like symptoms such as fever, cough or shortness of breath, please call your health center or clinic before coming to your appointment. If you are an Eskenazi Health patient, please call 317.880.7666 before coming to your appointment. Health care professionals are available 24/7 to answer questions on symptoms and direct you to the most appropriate care. It is important to first call before arriving at Eskenazi Health.



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Maurice Young to be remembered in Statehouse

Maurice Young, a homelessness advocate who died Jan. 31, will be remembered by family, friends and community members during a funeral service held in the Indiana Statehouse on March 20. Visitation begins at 11 a.m. and the funeral service begins at noon. The service will be led by Indiana Funeral Cares.

Lakeside Pointe apartment complex gets new owner

The troubled Lakeside Pointe at Nora apartment complex is under new ownership, the city confirmed, ending a contentious relationship the city had with the previous ownership group that nearly resulted in a lawsuit.

New York-based Genesis Housing Foundation purchased the complex through its wholly owned subsidiary, GHF LLC.

A spokesperson for the mayor’s office

said the city learned of the sale March 1.

“While we are hopeful for the future of the property, our top priority continues to be the safety and well-being of the property’s residents,” Mayor Joe Hogsett said in a statement. “We are committed to working with the new owner to address the long deferred maintenance and outstanding enforcement actions. And, we will continue to engage with neighbors and community stakeholders to ensure that the new property owner is meeting its obligations to tenants.”

The city threatened a nuisance lawsuit against the previous owners, Fox Lake AHF, because of issues that included fires and health code violations. The city gave a deadline of Jan. 31 to take remedial steps but backed off as ownership worked on the sale.

Issues over the years included 12 fires since 2019 that required a response from the fire department. A fire in November 2021 forced at least 25 residents from their homes.

EDITORIAL

Racism is global, but you knew that

By OSEYE BOYD



If anyone needed a reminder that racism isn't solely an American issue, one need only watch media coverage of the Russian invasion of Ukraine. You'll find racism not only in the way reporters discuss the invasion but also in the treatment of Africans and other non-white people.

The media's message was loud and clear: Wars don't happen in nice, white countries. Wars are proprietary to what former President Donald Trump referred to as "s**thole countries." It's the international equivalent of "this is a safe neighborhood; crime doesn't happen here."

According to CBS News senior foreign correspondent Charlie D'Agata, Ukraine "isn't a place, with all due respect, like Iraq or Afghanistan, that has seen conflict raging for decades. This is a relatively civilized, European — I have to choose those words carefully, too — city, one where you wouldn't expect that, or hope that it's going to happen."

Unfortunately, D'Agata wasn't alone. Other journalists joined him in their disbelief that conflict could occur among Europeans.

"We're not talking about Syrians fleeing the bombing of the Syrian regime backed by Putin," Phillipe Corbe, a journalist for BFM TV in France, said.

"We're talking about Europeans leaving in cars that look like our cars to save their lives."

Maybe if the refugees from other countries drove cars that looked like the ones Europeans drove, there would've been more compassion for them. How sad and shallow.

But wait, there's more. The well of racism runs deep.

"Now the unthinkable has happened to them," An ITV journalist from Poland said. "And this is not a developing, third world nation. This is Europe!"

A news anchor from Al Jazeera said, "Looking at them, the way they are dressed, these are prosperous ... I'm loath to use the expression ... middle-class people. These are not obviously refugees looking to get away from areas in the Middle East that are still in a big state of war. These are not people trying to get away from areas in North Africa. They look like any."

War can't happen in Europe because "They seem so like us," Daniel Hannan of the Telegraph said. "This is what makes it so shocking. Ukraine is a European country. Its people watch Netflix and have Instagram accounts, vote in free elections and read uncensored newspapers. War is no longer something visited upon impoverished and remote populations."

Classist and racist.

I would say I'm astounded but I'm not. I'm not surprised by the bigotry expressed by these reporters. This type of bigotry is present in so many newsrooms — especially if there aren't Black people or other people of color represented in those newsrooms. It's proof journalism schools need to do a better job

and so do newsrooms. It shouldn't take having the presence of someone from a marginalized group for those who aren't marginalized to realize everyone should be treated like a human being.

The comments these journalists made is proof we need to do a much better job teaching history — world history in this instance. Correct me if I'm wrong, but the '90s and early aughts were filled with conflicts in Bosnia, Chechnya, Kosovo, Croatia and so on. And conflicts in Europe didn't start in recent decades. Let's not forget about the Hundred Years' War. So, there's a legacy to live up to.

Maybe if the reporters did a better job of being anti-racist, they would do a better job covering the racism Africans, many of whom are students, and people of color are facing. There have been wide-spread reports of abuse and violence directed at Af-ricans and Indians as they try to flee to safety. Some leaders are explicit in their racism.

"Of course, we will take in refugees, if necessary," Austria Chancellor Karl Nehammer said recently. A few months ago, Nehammer sang a different tune when those seeking refuge were Afghan. He was vehemently against them settling in Austria and didn't think twice about sending them right back into the hands of the Taliban. "It's different in Ukraine than in countries like Afghanistan. We're talking about neighborhood help."

The apple (America) doesn't fall far from the racist tree.

Ukraine and race

By LARRY SMITH



Yes, there is a racial component to the current state of affairs in Ukraine, both in the U.S. and in that besieged nation. I'll begin with the latter. News outlets have widely reported that foreigners of color — Black Americans, Africans, Indians, Latinos and others — have suffered racial indignities. These include, among others, being refused entry onto buses and trains, being forced off buses and trains in which they are already riding, and being treated harshly by border guards when they're trying to enter other nations. (Reports keep arising about Poland being a particularly difficult nation for people of color to enter.)

Of course, there are other stories that speak of kind treatment and assistance with clothing, money and even housing, both from the Ukrainian government and from ordinary citizens. It is difficult to know whether there is a substantial disparity between these two competing narratives, especially during the chaos of war. Still, even the United Nation's high commissioner for

refugees, Filippo Grandi, has said that such discrimination is occurring. In response, the UN has publicly shared that it will intervene. London's mayor, Sadiq Khan, has spoken out as well. Khan, who is a Muslim and a person of color, has frequently spoken out about racism in Europe. (Sadly, some people believe the myth that people of color who are wealthy and/or politically powerful are somehow exempt from racial bias.)

Regarding the U.S., it is common for race to figure into any major news story, explicitly or implicitly. That should not be surprising given our history, as well as our contemporary challenges with race. Disturbingly, even acknowledging the plight of Ukrainians has caused controversy among African Americans. I have seen many Black folks post an admonishment that Dick Gregory is said to have uttered: "Stay out of white folks' business." Though the story probably is apocryphal (I spent a whole 10 minutes doing Google searches), it resonates with many African Americans. The sentiment is intended to convey (1) that there is no benefit to us for "getting involved" with affairs that don't directly affect us and (2) some

of us care more about white people's problems than we do about our own. It's one of the myriad versions of racial infighting that I refer to as the "Blacker Than Thou" syndrome.

This reaction speaks to Dr. W.E.B. DuBois' argument regarding the difficulty of being Black in America: "One feels his two-ness, — an American, a Negro; two souls, two thoughts, two unreconciled strivings; two warring ideals in one dark body, whose dogged strength alone keeps it from being torn asunder. The history of the American Negro is the history of this strife, — this longing to attain self-conscious manhood, to merge his double self into a better and truer self. In this merging he wishes neither of the older selves to be lost. ... He simply wishes to make it possible for a man to be both a Negro and an American without being cursed and spit upon by his fellows, without losing the opportunity of self-development."

The psychological journey of being Black in America seems to have endless roadblocks, detours, rough pavement and even landmines. I understand that even well-meaning white people don't fully comprehend how difficult it is to be an African American who fol-

lows just about any major news story without wondering about the ways in which it might affect us. While there are innumerable Black musicians who I could reference, I also think that one of Bruce Springsteen's lines is appropriate: "You end up like a dog that's been beat too much, till you spend half your life just coverin' up."

Let me be clear about two things. First, I am in no way trying to make the tragedy in Ukraine about Black folks; it isn't. Second, I am not attempting to negate the suffering that the people of Ukraine are enduring. As I've stated on several occasions, Vladimir Putin is a homicidal, megalomaniacal would-be dictator. He proved that long before last week's invasion. However, even in the midst of war, it is incumbent upon all people of good-will to ensure that their fellow human beings are treated humanely and fairly. That means, among other things, that Black folks should not be relegated to the proverbial "back of the bus" — even in Ukraine.

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Black excellence lives here!

By KHALILAH A. SHABAZZ



Recently, I had the opportunity to facilitate a workshop on Black excellence in Indiana. While I was researching and preparing for the workshop, I was reminded of just how complicated the concept of Black excellence can be. It is complicated because on one hand, non-Black individuals let bias and racism minimize the existence of Black excellence, and on the other hand, internalized racism serves as a barrier for Black people to realize Black excellence in themselves and others.

These two perspectives really overshadow the reality that we all should embrace — that Black excellence of the past, present and future lives here — right here in Indiana. Allow me to share my thoughts further.

As we round out celebrating Black History Month, we have been reminded of the amazing accomplishments of some Black Americans. While this is great, the sentiment does not escape me that Black excellence shouldn't be restricted to being acknowledged or celebrated in February (which also happens to be the shortest month of the year). Rather, we should be continually honoring the contributions of Black Americans who exhibit excellence every day in their lives and for our communities.

I will not do justice to naming the countless individuals in Indiana whose rich contributions have made me, our state and our nation better. Just know that there is Black excellence reflected in our people throughout this entire state. The challenge, though, is that this excellence has been minimized by the bias and racism that permeates our society. Non-Black individuals who occupy spaces and places of power can elect to acknowledge, promote, defend or support Black excellence.

Right now, we are experiencing the attempt to even determine what about our culture and others is considered appropriate for the classroom — a censorship of Black experiences and excellence! In some ways, non-Black individuals attempt to define what Black excellence is. It can be thought of as an anomaly or even as exceptionalism. Janice Gassam Asare writes how Black exceptionalism can be conceptualized: "It's the notion that black people who are educated, smart, articulate, poised, and basically every other positive adjective you can think of are atypical or rarities among the general black population."

This is particularly damaging because when there is a perception of Black excellence being rare or atypical, it leaves little room for the countless others who exude this excellence to be acknowledged.

This same notion can be internalized by Black people, too! Ever heard of the "crabs in a barrel" mentality or the statement "she think she all that"? Well, those are examples of how the internalization of racism can occur. The psyche tricks the Black

mind into thinking that Black excellence is that rarity or atypical experience that is not accessible to every Black person — inciting jealousy, bitterness, hatred, etc.

This is a false narrative. Black excellence exists for everyone, and once you (or others) challenge the effects of internalized racism, you will see that indeed you can be excellent, too! So can your children, neighbors, partners, cousins and them.

In order for us to address the unnecessary complications of Black excellence, perhaps we can focus on these four things.

One, realize that Black excellence must be cultivated. We have a responsibility to empower and encourage excellence in our youth — they are our future firsts!

Two, simply acknowledge Black excellence, no matter how big or small. Be a cheerleader to your own and others' accomplishments.

Three, we have to share Black excellence to everyone by using whatever platforms we have to promote it.

Lastly, Black excellence must be normalized. It is not an anomaly, but rather a common occurrence in the lives of Black people. Firsts are great, but the knowledge that more are coming is greater!

In 2022, we are yet learning of the first or the only Black person to do something excellent, and while there are reasons to cringe at that, we still must honor them. Black individuals must continue to occupy spaces of excellence and not be intimidated to do so or feel that they must withhold their accomplishments for acceptance (by Blacks and non-Blacks). So be sure to clap for your fellow Black sister or brother because one day, they will be clapping for you. Hold your head up high and be Black, be excellent, and be bold — 365 days of the year!

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Indiana House education chair draws criticism for comments on Black students’ test scores

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An Indiana lawmaker is under fire for a speech that seemed to imply that a lack of “respect for learning” was to blame for low test scores among Indianapolis’ Black students.

While presenting a bill to the Senate education committee Feb. 23, Rep. Bob Behning (R-Indianapolis) said Black students’ low pass rates on the statewide assessment, ILEARN, could be attributed to different factors.

“I would suggest that part of the problem is — and there’s a number of things — poverty impacts that for sure, having respect for learning, there’s a lot of things that come into play,” Behning said. “But one of the things that clearly comes into play is our standards are still too wide.”

Behning, who is the chair of the House Education Committee, clarified his remarks Feb. 24 after they drew criticism on Twitter and from Black education advocates.

“There are a variety of factors that affect student performance, including poverty, emphasis on education at home and school environment, and these are not limited to any one race or community,” Behning’s statement said. “That’s the sentiment behind my remarks yesterday. I’ve spent my career working to support and raise up all students, especially those who are most vulnerable.”

Sen. Eddie Melton (D-Gary), who sits on the Senate education committee, countered Behning’s comments



Rep. Bob Behning, R-Indianapolis, chairman of the House Education Committee, shown here in a file photo. (Photo/Shaina Cavazos/Chalkbeat)

in a statement, saying that structural factors like poverty, housing instability and lack of access to food play the biggest role in determining student performance.

“So many Indiana communities with a large Black population have also experienced repeated attacks — stemming from racism — on public education and funding over the past decade,” Melton’s statement said. “To imply that Black students don’t care about learning is not only disrespectful but asinine, and it ignores the systemic problems

that continue to plague communities of color.”

Behning’s remarks came in response to a question about how his bill — House Bill 1251 — would affect state academic standards.

HB 1251 is an omnibus bill that, among many things, would allow schools to hire adjunct teachers. It also would ask the State Board of Education to consult with colleges and industries to identify skills that students need to be successful after high school, and then streamline high school standards to better align with

those skills.

Narrowing the standards would allow teachers to spend more time on creating engaging learning, Behning said, rather than trying to teach the breadth of the standards.

“How do we focus those so that we have students that are able to master reading?” Behning said.

Referencing again the number of Black students who did not pass the statewide assessment, Behning said, “I would guess that a significant number of those kids don’t have mastery of reading.”

Behning said 30 out of 1,000 Black students at Indianapolis Public Schools passed both the language arts and math sections of ILEARN, a figure presumably based on the results of the 2021 assessment that showed Black students had a 3.1% pass rate.

In total, 128 of 4,085 Black students at IPS passed both sections of ILEARN, according to state data.

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Nearly half of Biden's 500M free COVID tests still unclaimed

By RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly half of the 500 million free COVID-19 tests the Biden administration recently made available to the public still have not been claimed as virus cases plummet and people feel less urgency to test.

Wild demand swings have been a subplot in the pandemic, from vaccines to hand sanitizer, along with tests. On the first day of the White House test giveaway in January, COVIDtests.gov received over 45 million orders. Now officials say fewer than 100,000 orders a day are coming in for the packages of four free rapid tests per household, delivered by the U.S. Postal Service.

Still, the White House sees the program as a step toward a deeper, yet more elastic, testing infrastructure that will accommodate demand surges and remain on standby when cases wane. "We totally intend to sustain this market," Dr. Tom Inglesby, testing adviser to the COVID-19 response team, told The Associated Press. "We know the market is volatile and will come up and down with surges in variants."

The White House says Americans have placed 68 million orders for packages of tests, which leaves about 46% of the stock of tests still available to be ordered.

Testing will become more important with mask requirements now easing, say some independent experts. "If

infection control is still our priority, testing is central," said Dr. Leana Wen, a former Baltimore health commissioner and commentator on the pandemic. "Four tests per household for one family will only last you one time. There should be enough tests for families to test twice a week."

Inglesby maintains that the pieces are falling into place to accommodate that.

Private insurers are now required to cover eight free rapid tests per person, per month. Medicare coverage will start in the spring. The administration has also been making free at-home tests available through libraries, clinics and other community venues. Capacity for the more accurate PCR tests performed by labs has been built up. The White House recently put out a request to industry for ideas on how to sustain and expand domestic testing for the rest of this year.

Wen says people still need a guide for when to test and how often. "Right now it is still unclear," she said.

President Joe Biden's pivot to testing came under duress as the omicron variant gained force just before Christmas. Tests were frustratingly hard to come by, and expensive. The White House is sensitive to criticism that help may have come too late.

"There is no question some



people found out they were positive from taking one of these tests and were able to keep other people from getting infected," said Tim Manning, supply coordinator for the COVID-19 response team.

Around mid-December, with omicron projections grimmer by the day, White House officials began discussing how to make free tests available for anyone who wanted one. But if the government started si-

phoning up tests on the market, that would just make the shortage worse.

"A critical thing to us was that anything we did had to be done in a way did not create a shortage at retail to the general public," Manning said.

To make sure it wasn't just the tech savvy who would end up getting free tests, the administration targeted a share

of deliveries to people in low-income areas. The White House worked with service organizations to get the word out.

Although the program is still in its infancy, analyst Lindsey Dawson of the Kaiser Family Foundation believes its legacy may lie in familiarizing more people with testing. "It may get someone comfortable with utilizing the tests, thinking about how they might use testing in their lives," she said.

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Understanding Teen Dating Violence

Teen dating violence affects millions of young people in the United States. Dating violence can take place in person, online, or through technology. It is a type of intimate partner violence that can include the following types of behavior:

- **Physical violence** is when a person hurts or tries to hurt a partner by hitting, kicking, or using another type of physical force.
- **Sexual violence** is forcing or attempting to force a partner to take part in a sex act and or sexual touching when the partner does not consent or is unable to consent or refuse. It also includes non-physical sexual behaviors like posting or sharing sexual pictures of a partner without their consent or sexting someone without their consent.
- **Psychological aggression** is the use of verbal and non-verbal communication with the intent to harm a partner mentally or emotionally and exert control over a partner.
- **Stalking** is a pattern of repeated, unwanted attention and contact by a current or former partner that causes fear or safety concern for an individual victim or someone close to the victim.

Teen dating violence profoundly impacts lifelong health, opportunity, and wellbeing. Unhealthy relationships can start early and last a lifetime. The good news is violence is preventable, and we can all help young people grow up violence-free.

Teens often think some behaviors, like teasing and name-calling, are a "normal" part of a relationship. However, these behaviors can become abusive and develop into serious forms of violence. Many teens do not report unhealthy behaviors because they are afraid to tell family and friends.

Data from CDC's Youth Risk Behavior Survey indicate that among U.S. high school students who reported dating during the 12 months before the survey, about 1 in 12 experienced physical dating violence and 1 in 12 experienced sexual dating violence.

Female students experienced higher rates of physical and sexual dating violence than male students. Students who identified as LGBTQ, or those who were unsure of their gender identity, experienced higher rates of physical and sexual dating violence compared to students who identify as heterosexual.

Unhealthy, abusive, or violent relationships can have short-and long-term negative effects, including severe consequences, on a developing teen. Youth who are victims of teen dating violence are more likely to experience depression and anxiety symptoms; engage in unhealthy behaviors, like using tobacco, drugs, and alcohol; exhibit antisocial behaviors, like lying, theft, bullying, or hitting; or think about suicide.

Violence in an adolescent relationship sets the stage for future relationship problems, including intimate partner violence and sexual violence perpetration and/or victimization throughout life.

Supporting healthy, nonviolent relationships could reduce teen dating violence and prevent its harmful, long-lasting effects on individuals, their families, and their communities.

During the pre-teen and teen years, it is critical for youth to begin learning skills to create and maintain healthy relationships, including managing feelings and communicating in a healthy way.

CDC has developed resources to help communities focus their prevention efforts on what works to address risk and protective factors for violence. CDC's *Dating Matters: Strategies to Promote Healthy Teen Relationships* focuses on 11-14-year-olds with ways to promote healthy relationships and reduce behaviors that increase the risk of dating violence.

To learn more, please visit the Dating Matters website at CDC.gov.

EXPLAINER: How is Russia-Ukraine war linked to religion?

By **PETER SMITH**
Associated Press

Ukraine's tangled political history with Russia has its counterpart in the religious landscape, with Ukraine's majority Orthodox Christian population divided between an independent-minded group based in Kyiv and another loyal to its patriarch in Moscow.

But while there have been appeals to religious nationalism in both Russia and Ukraine, religious loyalty doesn't mirror political fealty amid Ukraine's fight for survival.

Even though Russian President Vladimir Putin justified his invasion of Ukraine in part as a defense of the Moscow-oriented Orthodox church, leaders of both Ukrainian Orthodox factions are fiercely denouncing the Russian invasion, as is Ukraine's significant Catholic minority.

"With prayer on our lips, with love for God, for Ukraine, for our neighbors, we fight against evil — and we will see victory," vowed Metropolitan Epifany, head of the Kyiv-based Orthodox Church of Ukraine.

"Forget mutual quarrels and misunderstandings and ... unite with love for God and our Motherland," said Metropolitan Onufry, head of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, which is under the Orthodox patriarch of Moscow but has broad autonomy.

Even that seemingly united front is complicated. A day after posting Onufry's message, his church's website began publishing reports claiming its churches and people are being attacked, blaming one attack on the representatives of the rival church.

The division between Ukraine's Orthodox bodies has reverberated worldwide in recent years as Orthodox churches have struggled with how and whether to take sides. Some U.S. Orthodox hope they can put such conflicts aside and unite to try to end the war, while also fearing the war could exacerbate the split.

WHAT IS THE RELIGIOUS LANDSCAPE OF UKRAINE?

Surveys estimate a large majority of Ukraine's population is Orthodox, with a significant minority of Ukrainian Catholics who worship with a Byzantine liturgy similar to that of the Orthodox but are loyal to the pope. The population includes smaller percentages of Protestants, Jews and Muslims.

Ukraine and Russia are divided by a common history, both religiously and politically.

They trace their ancestry to the medieval kingdom of Kievan Rus, whose 10th century Prince Vladimir (Volodymyr in Ukrainian) rejected paganism, was baptized in Crimea and adopted Orthodoxy as the official religion.

In 2014, Putin cited that history in justifying his seizure of Crimea, a land he called "sacred" to Russia.

While Putin says Russia is the true heir to Rus, Ukrainians say their modern state has a distinct pedigree and that Moscow didn't emerge as a power until centuries later.

That tension persists in Orthodox relations.

Orthodox churches have historically been organized along national lines, with patriarchs having autonomy in their territories while bound by a common faith. The Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople is considered first



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among equals but, unlike a Catholic pope, doesn't have universal jurisdiction.

WHO GOVERNS UKRAINE'S ORTHODOX CHURCHES TODAY?

That depends how to interpret events of more than 300 years ago.

With Russia growing in strength and the Constantinople church weakened under Ottoman rule, the Ecumenical Patriarch in 1686 delegated to the Patriarch of Moscow the authority to ordain the metropolitan (top bishop) of Kyiv.

The Russian Orthodox Church says that was a permanent transfer. The Ecumenical Patriarch says it was temporary.

For the past century, independent-minded Ukrainian Orthodox have formed separate churches which lacked formal recognition until 2019, when current Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew recognized the Orthodox Church of Ukraine as independent of the Moscow patriarch — who fiercely protested the move as illegitimate.

The situation in Ukraine was murkier on the ground.

Many monasteries and parishes remain under Moscow's patriarch, though exact statistics are difficult to find, said John Burgess, author of "Holy Rus': The Rebirth of Orthodoxy in the New Russia." On the village level, many people may not even know about their parish's alignment, Burgess said.

DOES THIS SCHISM REFLECT THE POLITICAL SPLIT BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES?

Yes, though it's complicated.

Ukraine's former president, Petro Poroshenko, drew a direct link: "The independence of our church is part of our pro-European and pro-Ukrainian policies," he said in 2018.

But current President Vladimir Zelenskyy, who is Jewish, has not put the same emphasis on religious nationalism. He said he had spoken to both Orthodox leaders as well as top Catholic, Muslim and Jewish representatives. "All leaders pray for the souls of the defenders who gave their lives for Ukraine and for our unity and victory. And that's very important," he said.

Putin has tried to capitalize on the issue.

In his Feb. 21 speech seeking to justify the imminent invasion of Ukraine with a distorted historical narrative, Putin claimed without proof that Kyiv was preparing for the "destruction" of the

Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchate.

But the reaction of the Metropolitan Onufry, who compared the war to the "sin of Cain," the biblical character who murdered his brother, indicates that even the Moscow-oriented church has a strong sense of Ukrainian national identity.

By comparison, Moscow Patriarch Kirill has called for peace but has not laid blame for the invasion.

The Ukrainian Orthodox Church under the Moscow Patriarchate has long had extensive autonomy. Plus, it's increasingly Ukrainian in character.

"Regardless of church affiliation ... you have a lot of new clergy who grew up in independent Ukraine," said Alexei Krindatch, national coordinator of the U.S. Census of Orthodox Christian Churches. "Their political preferences are not necessarily correlated with the formal jurisdictions of their parishes," said Krindatch, who grew up in the former Soviet Union.

WHERE DO THE CATHOLICS FIT IN?

Ukrainian Catholics are based mainly in western Ukraine.

They emerged in 1596 when some Orthodox Ukrainians, then under the rule of the Catholic-dominated Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth, submitted to the authority of the pope under an agreement that allowed them to keep distinctive practices such as their Byzantine liturgy and married priests.

Orthodox leaders have long denounced such agreements as Catholic and foreign encroachment on their flocks.

Ukrainian Catholics have an especially strong history of resistance to persecution under czars and communists.

"Every time Russia takes over Ukraine, (the) Ukrainian Catholic Church is destroyed," said Mariana Karapinka, head of communications for the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia.

Ukrainian Catholics were severely repressed by the Soviets, with several leaders martyred. Many Ukrainian Catholics continued to worship underground, and the church has rebounded strongly since the end of communism.

With that kind of history, Ukrainian Catholics may have a strong reason to resist another takeover by Moscow. But they're not alone, Karapinka said. "Ukrainian Catholics were not the only

group persecuted by the Soviets," she said. "So many groups have reason to resist."

Recent popes have tried to thaw relations with the Russian Orthodox Church even while defending the rights of Ukrainian and other Eastern Rite Catholics.

But after the Russian invasion, Pope Francis visited the Russian Embassy to personally "express his concern about the war," the Vatican said, in an extraordinary papal gesture that has no recent precedent.

HOW HAS THE ORTHODOX SCHISM REVERBERATED BEYOND UKRAINE?

The Russian Orthodox Church decided to "break the Eucharistic communion" with the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople in 2018 as he moved to recognize an independent church in Ukraine. That means members of Moscow- and Constantinople-affiliated churches can't take communion at the other's churches.

The disputes have spread to Eastern Orthodox churches in Africa, where the Russian Orthodox have recognized a separate set of churches after Africa's patriarch recognized the Ukraine church's independence.

But many other churches have sought to avoid the fray. In the U.S., with multiple Orthodox jurisdictions, most groups still cooperate and worship with each other.

The war may provide a point of unity among U.S. churches but may further test relations, said the Very Rev. Alexander Rentel, chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America, which has Russian roots but is now independent of Moscow.

"This split that took place in world Orthodoxy was a difficult event for the Orthodox Church to process," he said. "Now it's only going to become more difficult because of this war."

Associated Press reporters Yuras Karmanau in Kyiv and Luis Andres Henao in Princeton, New Jersey, contributed to this report.

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High court takes case involving refusal to serve gay couples

By **JESSICA GRESKO**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court has agreed to hear a new clash involving religion and the rights of LGBTQ people in the case of a Colorado web designer who says her religious beliefs prevent her from offering wedding website designs to gay couples.

The high court said Feb. 22 it would hear the case of Lorie Smith. The Denver-area designer offers graphic and website design services and wants to expand to wedding website services, but she says her Christian beliefs would lead her to decline any request from a same-sex couple to design a wedding website. She also wants to post a statement on her website about her beliefs. Doing those things, however, would run afoul of a Colorado anti-discrimination law. Smith had argued the law violates her free speech and religious rights.

The Supreme Court said in taking the case that it would look only at the free speech issue. It said it would decide whether a law that requires an artist to speak or stay silent violates the free speech clause of the First Amendment. The case is expected to be

argued in the fall.

Smith's attorney, Kristen Waggoner, said in a statement after the court agreed to hear the case that "Colorado has weaponized its law to silence speech it disagrees with, to compel speech it approves of, and to punish anyone who dares to dissent."

Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser said the Supreme Court has consistently held that anti-discrimination laws like the one in his state apply to all businesses selling goods and services.

"Companies cannot turn away LGBT customers just because of who they are," Weiser said in an emailed statement. "We will vigorously defend Colorado's laws, which protect all Coloradans by preventing discrimination and upholding free speech."

In a 2-1 ruling last year, the Denver-based 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals denied Smith's attempt to overturn a lower court ruling throwing out her legal challenge. The panel said Colorado had a compelling interest in protecting the "dignity interests" of members of marginalized groups through its law, the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act.

The law, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, is the same one at issue in the case of Colorado baker Jack Phillips that was



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decided in 2018 by the U.S. Supreme Court.

The high court said at the time that the Colorado Civil Rights Commission had acted with anti-religious bias against Phillips after he refused to bake a cake for two men who were getting married. But it did not rule on the larger issue of whether a business can invoke religious objections to refuse service to LGBTQ people.

The Arizona-based Alliance Defending Freedom represented Phillips and represents Smith.

SPIRITUAL OUTLOOK

Finding favor through fasting

By JOHNSON A. BEAVEN III



“For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father’s house will perish. And who knows whether you have not come to the kingdom for such a time as this? Then Esther told them to reply to Mordecai, ‘Go, gather all the Jews to be found in Susa, and hold a fast on my behalf, and do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my young women will also fast as you do. Then I will go to the king, though it is against the law, and if I perish, I perish.’ On the third day Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the king’s palace, in front of the king’s quarters. ... And when the king saw Queen Esther standing in the court, she won favor in his sight, and he held out to Esther the golden scepter that was in his hand. Then Esther approached and touched the tip of the scepter.”
-Esther 4:14-16; 5:1-2

We have entered the season of Lent. In preparation for Easter, it is a period of 40 days beginning on Ash Wednesday. It ends on Thursday or Saturday of Holy Week, depending on one’s religious tradition. The 40 days represent the time when Jesus was tempted by Satan in the wilderness (Mark 1:12-13). Its purpose is a time of self-examination, reflection and repentance in deepening relationship with God, engaging the spiritual discipline of fasting.

I want to present a perspective on this spiritual discipline from the Book of Esther.

The events in the Book of Esther are during the post-exilic period about the Jews who did not return to Jerusalem after the Babylonian exile but stayed in Babylon during the reign of King Xerxes. Esther was a Jew whose family was among those who stayed in Babylon. She was the cousin of Mordecai, who adopted Esther as his daughter when her parents died.



Augusta P. Washington
Indianapolis - 96, passed Feb. 9, 2022. Services will be held at 12pm on Friday, Feb. 25 with visitation from 10am until service time at Lavenia & Summers Home for Funerals. Entombment: New Crown Cemetery.



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Following Mordecai’s direction, she kept her family background and nationality a secret. Esther eventually became queen to King Xerxes and Mordecai was a palace official to the king.

Over time, a conflict brewed between Mordecai and Haman, the most powerful official in the empire. The conflict escalated to the point that Haman devised a plot to destroy Mordecai, also including all the Jews in the entire empire. Haman persuaded the king to write a decree to have a certain group of people who did not obey the king’s law to all be slaughtered on a single day. King Xerxes signed and sealed the decree without knowledge it targeted the Jews.

At this juncture, Mordecai asked for Queen Esther’s help directing her to go to the king to beg for mercy and plead for her people. The issue regarding Mordecai’s request was that Esther did not have unlimited access to the king; she couldn’t just go to the king without being summoned. Esther must decide to risk her life by going to the king, unsummoned. Yet, if she decided not to act, for certain she would lose her life. This was a decision with serious consequences. Just

like us many times, at this point Esther couldn’t see the happy ending of the story from the frightening, unnerving middle.

Esther was challenged with an unsure undertaking that is resolved by a resignation to the providence of God. She implored all the Jews, herself included, to fast three days in hope that it would result in divine favor.

After the three-day fast, Esther put on her royal attire, went and stood in front of the king’s quarters in full view. When seen by the king, she obtained his favor and was welcomed to approach him. From that point in the story to its end, God turned everything in their favor.

The story of Esther presents fasting as a spiritual discipline that expresses faith in God, which can result in the favor of God.

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Networking event gives Black entrepreneurs opportunity to grow their business

By BREANNA COOPER
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Black business owners in Indianapolis have the chance to meet other Black entrepreneurs and hear from inspiring keynote speakers through the Build Our Own Table series. Co-founded by Shamika Anderson, owner of YES Consulting, the first event will be held at 6:30 p.m. March 10 at The Gallery Event Center, 5852 E. 82nd St.

The first event — six are scheduled for 2022 — will feature a keynote speech from Timeko Whitaker, CEO of Timeko & Associates Realty Group, as well as food catered by Hendrick Catering. The deadline to register for the first event is March 5.

“This event is important, as a lot of times when Black people decide to start a business, they may be a subject matter expert in, let’s say, cosmetology, but they might not have the business savvy to launch a successful business,” Anderson said. “Or, they might not have the resources to take their business to the next level. This is an opportunity to be around people they can get knowledge and mentorship from to move forward.”

The Indianapolis Recorder is a partner for the networking series.

According to the Indianapolis Office of Minority and Women Business Development, the number of minority entrepreneurs doubled between 2019 and 2020, with the office holding 379 consultations for minority-owned businesses in 2020. However, data from the Brookings Institution show minority small-business owners make up just 16% of Indiana businesses.

Currently, the first Build Our Own Table event has about 45 people signed up. Anderson hopes participants are able to learn from one another and help each other grow. She said it’s especially important that Black business owners network with other Black entrepreneurs.

“There’s power in group economics,” Anderson said. “A lot of times, we get so selfish with ‘This is my idea, and I don’t want to tell anyone my secret plan.’ If the goal is for everyone to become millionaires, my millions won’t keep you from making millions. We can help each other grow, and other communities do this, they help each other grow and be successful. We have to support each other so we can all grow.”

The next networking event is scheduled for March 23 and will focus on digital marketing. Anderson hopes to have a larger conference next year to help hundreds of Black Hoosier entrepreneurs grow their businesses.



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To sign up for the March 5 networking event and learn more about future events, visit the Build Our Own Table Eventbrite page.

Contact staff writer Breanna Cooper at 317-762-7848. Follow her on Twitter @BreannaNCooper.

Connect with other Black business owners during Build Our Own Table networking event.
When: 6:30 p.m. March 10
Where: The Gallery Event Center, 5852 E. 82nd St.
Cost: Free
Register: eventbrite.com, search for Build Our Own Table

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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF MARION)
CASE NO.: 49C01-2108-MI-026375
IN RE THE CHANGE OF NAME:
Makadjji Alimata Batoucoune Makadjji Peltitioner
ALIAS NOTICE OF HEARING FOR PUBLICATION IN NEWSPAPER
Notice is hereby given that Petitioner Batoucoune Makadjji, as a self represented litigant, filed a Verified Petition for Change of Name to change name from Makadjji Alimata to Alimata Makadjji.
The Petition is scheduled for hearing in the Marion Circuit Court on Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. via WebEx, which is more than thirty (30) days after the third notice of publication. Any person has the right to appear at the hearing and to file written objections on or before the hearing date. This hearing will be in the Marion County Circuit Court, 200 E. Washington Street, City County Building, Room W506, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204. This hearing will be held remotely by WebEx.
February 14, 2022/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Date Clerk of Marion Circuit Court
This hearing will be held virtually. Use the information below to join through www.webex.com and selecting "Join a Meeting" or by using the toll-free number to call in.
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SUMMONS-SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 7)
SS: COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D07-2202-MF-005071
JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,
vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF RUBY M. GLENN
A/K/A RUBY MARSH GLENN, DECEASED and MICHAEL CHEATHAM, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned.
You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.
The nature of the suit against you is:
Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate
Against the property commonly known as 2902 Manlove Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46218-2616 and described as follows:
23 feet off of the South side of Lot 29 and all of Lot 30 in Block 12 in "Sangster Harrison and Company's Oak Hill Addition," to the City of Indianapolis, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 5, page 10, in the office of the Recorder of Marion County, Indiana.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s): Michael Cheatham
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s) whose whereabouts are unknown: The Unknown Heirs and Devises of Ruby M. Glenn a/k/a Ruby Marsh Glenn, Deceased
If you have a claim for relief against the plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer or response.
You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so a judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded, by the Plaintiff.
FEIWELL & HANNOY, P.C. By /s/ MICHAEL J. FEIWELL
MICHAEL J. FEIWELL Attorney No. 18626-49 Attorney for Plaintiff
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF MARION)
CASE NO.: 49D08-2202-ES-005624
IN RE THE ESTATE OF: ERIK A. SHEETS, DECEASED
NOTICE OF SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that Franklin E. Dunn and Suki Dunn were, on February 22, 2022, appointed as Co-name Personal Representatives of the Estate of Erik A. Sheets, deceased, who died on February 3, 2022, leaving no Last Will and Testament.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Franklin, Indiana, this day: February 22, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
CLERK OF THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 8
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David A. Retherford
DAVID A. RETHERFORD, ATTORNEY AT LAW, INC. 8801 Southeastern Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46239 (317) 862-5744
NOTICE OF UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion Superior Court #8
In the Matter of the Estate of Seth Lindsey, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that Kathryn Childress was, on the 16th day of February, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Seth Lindsey, deceased, who died on the 22nd day of January, 2022.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana this 16th day of February, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior Court #8
5320-940115
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ATTORNEY: Jayme E. Donnellson
Hess Hess & Donnellson, LLP
540 N. Rangeline Road Carmel, IN 46032 (317) 844-1377
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion County Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of Judith J. Hebenstreit, Deceased
Cause Number 49D08-2202-EU-005000
Notice is hereby given that Michael J. Habenstreit and Thomas M. Kenney were, on February 16, 2022, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Thomas D. Hebenstreit, Deceased, who died on January 21, 2022.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 16, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court
5320-940233
03/04/22,
03/11/22

ATTORNEY: Jayme E. Donnellson
Hess Hess & Donnellson, LLP
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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
In the Marion County Superior Court
In the Matter of the Estate of Judith J. Hebenstreit, Deceased
Cause Number 49D08-2202-EU-005123
Notice is hereby given that Michael J. Habenstreit and Thomas M. Kenney were, on February 17, 2022, appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Judith J. Hebenstreit, Deceased, who died on December 4, 2021.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 17, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court
5320-940232
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY OF MARION)
SS: PROBATE DIVISION)
ESTATE NO. 49D08-2201-EU-001548
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF MARK DASENBROCK, Deceased
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of January, 2022, Beth Yerigan and Daniel Russello were appointed as personal representatives of the Estate of Mark Dassenbrock, Deceased.
All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in said court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Probate Court for Marion County, Indiana
Daniel L. Russello 35589-49
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: PROBATE DIVISION)
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE Docket No. 49D08-2202-EU-005528
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT M. MONTBLANC, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that, on February 22, 2022, Varlie M. Skinner was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert M. Mont-Blanc, deceased, who died on the 13th day of January, 2022.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Franklin, Indiana, this day: February 22, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
CLERK OF THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 8
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: PROBATE DIVISION)
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE Docket No. 49D08-2202-EU-005536
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
OF THE ESTATE OF RHONDA S. LATHROP, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given, that on February 23, 2022, Peter A. Fisher was appointed as Personal Representative of the Estate of Rhonda S. Lathrop, deceased, who died on the 12th day of September, 2021.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated February 23, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-940648
03/04/22,
03/11/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: PROBATE DIVISION)
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE Docket No. 49D08-2202-EU-005536
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Dated February 23, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion Superior Court
Probate Division
5320-940648
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: PROBATE DIVISION)
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE Docket No. 49D08-2202-EU-005545
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
OF THE ESTATE OF EILEEN RAGER-OWEN, Deceased.
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
Notice is hereby given that, on February 22, 2022, Matthew Rager was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Eileen Rager-Owen, Deceased, who died on November 7, 2021.
All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 22, 2022.
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion County Superior Court
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Rhonda Yoder Breaman, Attorney No.: 23520-49 SCHLUETER BREMAN LLC
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SUMMONS-SERVICE BY PUBLICATION
STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 11)
SS: COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D11-2202-MF-004701
WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, AS TRUSTEE
OF STANWICH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST D, Plaintiff,
vs.
THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVICES OF ANTHONY G. WALKER SR. A/K/A ANTHONY G. WALKER, DECEASED, WILDWOOD HEALTHCARE CENTER, Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendant(s) above named, and any other person who may be concerned.
You are hereby notified that you have been sued in the Court above named.
The nature of the suit against you is:
Complaint on Note and to Foreclose Mortgage on Real Estate
Against the property commonly known as 8525 E 37th Pl, Indianapolis, IN 46226-6015 and described as follows:
LOT 153 IN NORTH-EAST-WOOD FIRST SECTION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, AS PER PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 31, PAGE 280, IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA.
This summons by publication is specifically directed to the following named defendant(s): Wildwood Healthcare Center, Senior Purchasing Agent or Purchasing Services, Service & Stores Building, 3401 N. Tiltolton Avenue, Muncie, IN until 11:00 A.M. EDT, Thursday, March 24, 2022. Bids will then be opened and read aloud.
B. Bidding documents are on file and may be examined at the following locations or on their website:
BSU Facilities Planning & Management Office
3401 N. Tiltolton Ave Muncie, IN 47306 www.bsufacilities.com
C. Scope of Work to include, but not limited to: Work of the project includes demolition of existing concrete paving, installation of a new waterproofing system, and installation of new concrete paving as described in the drawings and specifications.
D. Pre-bid meeting: Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. EST at Showalter Building Conference Room 105, 3401 N. Tiltolton, Service & Stores, Ball State University, Muncie, IN Conference room 50105
http://www.bsufacilities.com/map/ E. Bid Documents, which include project manual, drawings, specifications, bid forms and other related documents, (available electronically) may be obtained by contacting June Sanders, Senior Purchasing Agent or Purchasing Services, Service & Stores Building, 3401 N. Tiltolton Avenue, Muncie IN 47306, Tel: (765) 285-1532, Fax: (765) 285-5505.

STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: COUNTY OF PUTNAM)
ESTATE Docket No. 67C01-2202-EU-000011
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
OF THE ESTATE OF SHARON K. CRAWFORD, DECEASED
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
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Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 11, 2022.
/s/ Heather L. Gebert
Clerk of the Putnam County Circuit Court
5320-940647
03/04/22,
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Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 11, 2022.
/s/ Heather L. Gebert
Clerk of the Putnam County Circuit Court
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Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 11, 2022.
/s/ Heather L. Gebert
Clerk of the Putnam County Circuit Court
5320-940647
03/04/22,
03/11/22

STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: COUNTY OF PUTNAM)
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STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT)
SS: COUNTY OF PUTNAM)
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In the Superior Court of Johnson County, Indiana

Notice is given that Joshua Niles Ellis was, on February 12, 2022, appointed personal representative of Larry Niles Ellis, deceased, who died on November 19, 2021, and is authorized to administer the estate without court supervision.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of the Johnson County Superior Court, Probate Division within three (3) months from the date of publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months from the date of death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Johnson County, Indiana, this day February 15, 2022.

/s/ Treeta McLaughlin
Clerk of the Johnson County Superior Court 1, Probate Division

Shane A. Toland (22775-41)
Attorney for Joshua Niles Ellis

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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT 1**

**) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2022-
PL-004361**

ESTATE OF YVONNE BARKER

Plaintiff,
v.

HENRY BARKER, and

any HEIRS

ASSIGNS AND ANY OTHER

UNKNOWN POSSIBLE CLAIMANTS,

Defendants.

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

This summons is to HENRY BARKER, ANY HEIRS, ASSIGNS, AND ANY OTHER UNKNOWN POSSIBLE CLAIMANTS and to any other person who may be concerned:

You are notified that you have been sued in Marion Circuit Court 1, 200 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204, which may be contacted at (317) 327-4747, in an action entitled: Estate of Yvonne Barker v. Henry Barker, et.al, Cause Number 49C01-2022-PL-004361, by the entity named above as Plaintiff. This summons by publication is specifically directed to HENRY BARKER, ANY HEIRS, ASSIGNS, AND ANY OTHER UNKNOWN POSSIBLE CLAIMANTS, whose whereabouts are unknown. In addition to the above named Defendants, being served this summons, there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

The Plaintiff, Estate of Yvonne Barker, is represented by Stacy L. McGuyre #31064-32, Attorney at Law, 2028 N Park Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46202, who may be contacted at (317) 965-0407. The nature of this suit against you is a VERIFIED ACTION TO QUIET TITLE, alleging sole interest in the property located at 4525 Vernon Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46226.

An answer or other response in writing to the complaint must be filed either by you or your attorney within thirty (30) days after notice of suit published by this newspaper, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded by the Estate of Yvonne Barker.

/s/ Stacy L. McGuyre
Stacy L. McGuyre, I.D. #31064-32
Counsel and Personal Representative of the Estate of Yvonne Barker
Attest:
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County Courts
5320-939865

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03/04/22,
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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COURT**

**) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2201-
MI-002061**

**IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
YENIFER ROJAS JAIMES,**

Petitioner

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

YENIFER ROJAS JAIMES, whose mailing address is: 2608 SICKLE ROAD, INDIANAPOLIS, IN, 46219, and, if different my residence address is:

in the MARION County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that YENIFER ROJAS JAIMES has filed a petition in the MARION Court requesting that her name be changed to JENNY ROJAS JAIMES.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on May 5, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

/s/ Yenifer Rojas Jaimes
Petitioner

02/25/22,
03/04/22,
03/11/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT**

**) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CASE NO. 49C01-2201-
MI-002191**

**IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
CANDRA OLIN JONES,**

Petitioner.

ORDER SETTING HEARING AND

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

Petitioner, Candra Olin Jones, whose mailing and residential address is 4819 Oakwood Trail, Indianapolis, IN 46468 in Marion County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that Candra Olin Jones has filed a petition in the Marion County Circuit Court requesting that her name be changed to Candra Olin Atobatele.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on April 26, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue/issuues a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing.

/s/ Candra Olin Jones
Candra Olin Jones
January 19, 2022

Date
So Ordered: February 3, 2022

/s/ Susan Boatright
Judicial Officer

5320-939538

02/25/22,
03/04/22,
03/11/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION CIRCUIT COURT**

**) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49C01-2201-
MI-002918**

**IN RE THE NAME CHANGE OF:
ANGELA PARROTT**

Petitioner

ORDER SETTING HEARING AND

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

ANGELA PARROTT, whose mailing address is: 8303 SOUTHERN SPRINGS DR., and, if different, my residence address is:

in the MARION County, Indiana, hereby gives notice that ANGELA PARROTT has filed a petition in the MARION CIRCUIT Court requesting that her name be changed to ROXIE L. SULLIVAN.

Notice is further given that the hearing will be held on said Petition on April 26, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. This matter will be heard remotely, and the Court will issue/issuues a WebEx invitation for attendance at the hearing.

/s/ Angela Parrott
Petitioner

1/27/22
Date

So Ordered: 2/11/2022

/s/ Susan Boatright
Judicial Officer

5320-939958

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03/04/22,
03/11/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT**

**SS: CIVIL DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION
CAUSE NO. 49D014-2210-
DN-000506**

Domingo Mejia Portillo

2166 Napoleon St
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Plaintiff

Vs

Dominga Molina Cruz

Address Unknown
Indianapolis, IN 46203

Defendant

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named, and any other person who may be concerned. You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named as Plaintiff.

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/s/ Stacy L. McGuyre
Stacy L. McGuyre, I.D. #31064-32
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Attest:
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County Courts
5320-939865

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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D08-2112-
EU-040548**

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPervised ADMINISTRATION

OF THE ESTATE OF MADELINE C. CAWTHORN, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that, on January 27, 2022, James D. Cawthorn was appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of MADELINE C. CAWTHORN, who died on the 1st day of September, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this day February 10, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court 8, Probate Division

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Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this day February 10, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court 8, Probate Division

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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D08-2202-
ES-004050**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES DURIVAGE

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that Shyrelle Durivage was, on the 8th day of February, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of James Durivage, who died on December 29, 2020.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this February 8, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Superior Court of Marion County, Probate Division

5320-939946

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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
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Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this February 8, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court 5320-940037

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03/04/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT 8**

**) SS:
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE DOCKET: 49D08-
2202-ES-004546**

IN THE MATTER OF THE SUPERVISED ESTATE OF DARRELL TANNER, DECEASED

NOTICE OF SUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that,

on the 16th day of February, 2022, Elaine Turner was appointed personal representative of the Supervised Estate of Darrell Tanner, deceased, who died on the 24th day of December, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Indianapolis, Indiana, this February 16, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk, Marion County Superior Court,

No. 8, Probate Division
5320-939915

02/25/22,
03/04/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT 8**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
DOCKET NO.: 49D08-2202-
EU-003981**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE MARGARET BLYTHE POTTS, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the matter of the Estate of Margaret Blythe Potts, Deceased

Notice is hereby given that Jack Potts was, on the 8th day of February, 2022, appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Margaret Blythe Potts, deceased, who died on the 5th day of January, 2022.

All persons having claims against said estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

DATED AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, THIS FEBRUARY 8, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
CLERK, MARION SUPERIOR COURT

Aaron M. Pitt
Indiana Supreme Court

No. 30806-49

Huelskamp and Rivas P.C.
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Indianapolis, Indiana 46203

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02/25/22,
03/04/22

**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
ESTATE NO. 49D08-2202-
EU-004084**

IN RE THE ESTATE OF TRACY J. FUGATE, DECEASED

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

In the Superior Court of Marion County, Indiana

Notice is given that Brian Fugate was, on February 10, 2022, appointed personal representative of Tracy J. Fugate, deceased, who died on January 27, 2022, and is authorized to administer the estate without court supervision.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the clerk of the Marion County Superior Court, Probate Division within three (3)

months from the date of publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months from the date of death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion County, Indiana, this day February 10, 2022.

/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of the Marion County Superior Court 8, Probate Division

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**STATE OF INDIANA)
IN THE MARION SUPERIOR COURT**

**) SS: PROBATE DIVISION
COUNTY OF MARION)
CAUSE NO. 49D12-2202-
MF-004447**

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, for CSFB Mortgage-Backed Trust Series 2005-6

Plaintiff,

vs.

The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Daniel R. Vance AKA Daniel Vance and their unknown creditors; the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Daniel R. Vance AKA Daniel Vance

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named as Plaintiff.

This summons is to HENRY BARKER, ANY HEIRS, ASSIGNS, AND ANY OTHER UNKNOWN POSSIBLE CLAIMANTS, whose whereabouts are unknown. In addition to the above named Defendants, being served this summons, there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit.

You are notified that you have been sued in Marion Circuit Court 1, 200 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204, which may be contacted at (317) 327-4747, in an action entitled: Estate of Yvonne Barker v. Henry Barker, et.al, Cause Number 49C01-2022-PL-004361, by the entity named above as Plaintiff.

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/s/ Stacy L. McGuyre
Stacy L. McGuyre, I.D. #31064-32
Counsel and Personal Representative of the Estate of Yvonne Barker
Attest:
/s/ Myla A. Eldridge
Clerk of Marion County Courts
5320-939865

02/25/22,
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**STATE OF INDIANA)
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CAUSE NO. 49D12-2202-
MF-004447**

U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, for CSFB Mortgage-Backed Trust Series 2005-6

Plaintiff,

vs.

The Unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, beneficiaries of Daniel R. Vance AKA Daniel Vance and their unknown creditors; the unknown executor, administrator, or personal representative of the Estate of Daniel R. Vance AKA Daniel Vance

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SUIT

The State of Indiana to the Respondent above named, and any other person who may be concerned.

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This summons is to HENRY BARKER, ANY HEIRS

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DERED:

1. The Petitioner, Kimberly Neeb, is hereby appointed as Temporary Guardian of the child Isaiah B. Carter Neeb.

2. Kimberly Neeb, as the temporary Guardian of Isaiah B. Carter Neeb, is permitted to do the following pending a hearing on the Petition for Appointment of Guardian:

A. Authorize and administer any and all necessary medical care and treatment for the child Isaiah B. Carter Neeb.

B. Permit the child Isaiah B. Carter Neeb to reside with the Petitioner.

C. Enroll the child Isaiah B. Carter Neeb in school.

D. Seek the assistance of law enforcement, if necessary, to assist in locating the child Isaiah B. Carter Neeb and transferring him to the custody of the Petitioner.

3. This Temporary Guardianship shall remain in effect for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of this Order and may be renewed once for a period of ninety (90) days.

4. The Guardian's Petition for Appointment of Guardian over Person and Estate of Minor Child is set for a hearing on the 19th day of April, 2022, in the Shelby Circuit-Superior Court, at 9:15 a.m.

5. The Petitioner/Temporary Guardian is ordered to serve all interested parties with a copy of this Order.

So Ordered 2/8/2022
/s/ Trent Meltzer

Judge, Shelby Circuit-Superior Court 5320-939094
02/18/22,
02/25/22,
03/04/22

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CHATHAM COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA
Civil Action No. SPDR21-02014-J1
Robert S. Miller, Plaintiff
V.
Keyana M. Mann Defendant.
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TO: Keyana M. Mann, Defendant Named Above:
You are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking Legitimation/Joint Custody [state the relief sought] was filed against you in said county on 12/16/2021, and that by reason of an order for service of summons by publication entered by the court on 1/27, 2022, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the clerk of said court and serve upon Robert S. Miller, plaintiff, whose address is 76 Al Henderson Blvd, Apt. B8, an answer to the complaint within sixty (60) days of the date of the order for service by publication. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.
Witness the Honorable Judge Karpf, Judge of said Court.
This the 27th day of January, 2022.
/s/ Tammie Mosley
Clerk of Superior Court
Chatham County 5320-939317
02/18/22,
02/25/22,
03/04/22

Pike Township, Marion County, Indiana Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2021						
Local Fund Number	Local Fund Name	Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan 1, 2021	Receipts	Disbursements	End Cash & Inv Bal Dec 31, 2021	
0060	LEVY EXCESS FUND	\$49,387.77	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,387.77	
0061	2001 RAINY DAY FUND	\$3,589,408.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,589,408.31	
0101	TOWNSHIP FUND	\$862,372.38	\$1,176,040.15	\$967,936.15	\$1,070,476.38	
0341	FIRE PENSION FUND	\$109,331.87	\$75,088.66	\$158,628.60	\$25,791.93	
0505	DONATIONS	\$6,058.22	\$5,856.06	\$1,126.26	\$10,788.02	
0840	TOWNSHIP ASSISTANCE	\$32,657.69	\$606,683.99	\$539,156.95	\$100,184.73	
1111	FIRE FIGHTING	\$19,638,182.39	\$33,629,878.97	\$28,826,119.70	\$24,441,941.66	
1118	FIRE PENSION CDS	\$432,054.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$432,054.70	
1182	FIRE DEBT FUND	\$268,556.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$268,556.91	
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9999	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$166,849.78	\$5,624,867.69	\$5,791,717.47	\$0.00	
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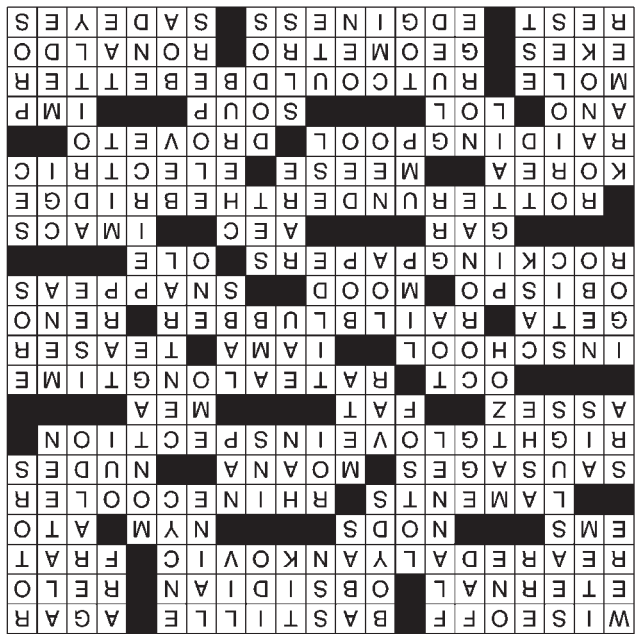
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Super Crossword



IMPD officer in ‘serious but stable’ condition, suspect injured in shooting

By TYLER FENWICK
tylerf@indyrecorder.com

An Indianapolis police officer was in “serious but stable” condition after a shootout Feb. 27 in Fountain Square with a man who was also injured.

According to police, Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department officers responded to a report of an accident on Lexington Avenue shortly after 10 p.m. Officers received more information on their way to the scene, including that a man in a red jacket was exposing himself and an intoxicated man in a red car was “acting strange” and last seen southbound on State Street.

Two officers found a man in a red jacket. They were in a marked police car and in full uniform, IMPD said.

The man began running away, and officers told him to stop, according to IMPD. Police said there was “an exchange of gunfire between at least one officer and the suspect.”

The officer who was shot was taken Eskenazi Hospital in serious condition and was later upgraded to serious but stable condition. A SWAT team found the suspect shortly after 11 p.m. He was taken to Methodist Hospital in critical condition and was later upgraded to serious condition.

The officer was only identified as a “one-year officer who was in field training.”

IMPD said multiple officers had body cameras that were activated during the incident.

The IMPD Critical Incident Response Team responded to the scene to conduct the criminal investigation with assistance from the Indianapolis-Marion County Forensic Services Agency. The Marion County Prosecutor's Office will be consulted throughout the investigation.

IMPD Internal Affairs will conduct a separate administrative investigation.

The officer who shot the man has been placed on administrative leave, which is standard procedure.

The Use of Force Review Board, which has a civilian majority, conducts a hearing for any use of deadly force against a person after the conclusion of the criminal process.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Sergeant Leslie Vanbuskirk at 317-327-3475 or email Leslie.Vanbuskirk@indy.gov, or call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 317-262-TIPS.

Contact staff writer Tyler Fenwick at 317-762-7853. Follow him on Twitter @Ty_Fenwick.

Super Crossword

ACROSS

1 Make sarcastic remarks

8 It was stormed in the French Revolution

16 Petri dish gel

20 Never-dying

21 Volcanic glass

22 Move, in real estate

23 Something the "Eat It" singer's parents did?

25 Sig Chi, say

26 Letters on an ambulance

27 Tacit assents

28 Big Apple ball team, on scoreboards

30 From — Z

31 Grieves over

35 Container for a picnic beside

40 Salamis, e.g.

42 2016 Disney film set in Polynesia

43 Unclad art class models

44 Meticulous barracks

48 French for "enough"

49 Corpulent

50 — culpa

51 10th mo.

54 Work for Consumer Reports for many years?

63 Attending college, e.g.

68 "Today — man"

69 Short preview

70 "— life!"

71 Train passengers' noisy crying?

75 1990s attorney general

76 San Luis —

78 Disposition

79 They have crisp, edible pods

81 Instruction sheets on how to lull babies to sleep?

85 Comida cry

86 Needle-nosed fish

87 Old nuclear regulatory agcy.

89 Some Apples

94 Scoundrel below a spanning structure?

103 Divided Asian land

104 1980s attorney general

105 Like some fans and eels

106 Group of commandos from which to choose?

109 Reached by car

110 Year, to Rosa

111 E-chuckle

112 Borscht, e.g.

113 Little devil

116 Lawn vermin

118 "This road furrow was not fully repaired?"

126 Scrapes (out)

127 1990s GM car model

128 Soccer star

129 Siesta, e.g.

130 Tense state

131 Features of joyless faces

DOWN

1 Used to be

2 Dating pair

3 Shell-less

4 Have it wrong

5 Dollar bill

6 In thing

7 Pajama material

8 Hopalong Cassidy actor and others

9 French mutiny cry

10 Tax id

11 "— to Tok" (#1 Kasha hit)

12 Wedding vow

13 Actress Tyler

14 Singer

15 Multivolume ref., often

16 Dog's cry

17 Rivera of TV

18 Support group for adolescents

19 Turbine parts

24 A great many

29 Filmmaker's patchwork

32 Arthur with a racket

33 Passover bread

34 It has a yolk

35 King, in Paris

36 Sci-Fi's Solo

37 Outs' partner

38 Siesta, e.g.

39 Yes, in Paris

40 Span. lady

41 "— for Alibi"

42 Prefix with carpel

45 Not the std. spelling

46 Broody music genre

47 Part of CIA

52 Rings around the sun

53 Up — point

55 Squiggle over an "H"

56 — de toilette

57 Diplomatic official. Abbr.

58 Testing sites

59 Rain delay

60 "It's all clear"

61 Suvani of film

62 Lovers' god

63 Helper for Frankenstein

64 Mummy where Moses died

65 Clc — (Bic pen brand)

66 Beer barrel

67 Not at all stiff

72 Mauna —

73 Jazz genre

74 Musician

77 Laura Ingalls' hair feature

80 "Boys Don't Cry" director

82 Dog's threat

83 Not common

84 Tennis unit

88 Angelic being

90 Poi Romney

91 With skill

92 Some film FX

93 Min. fraction

94 Virginia city

95 Baltimore baseballers

96 "The Ref" director

97 "Stee-rike!" caller

98 Lead-in to colonial

99 "— volente" ("God willing")

100 Subj. for U.S. citizens-to-B.

101 Fair fleeing to wed

102 Grandma on "Roseanne"

103 Cosmo on "Seinfeld"

107 Oslo's nation, to its natives

108 Pasted

109 Extinct birds

112 Some 35mm cameras

114 Early Persian

115 Old hands

117 N.Y. hours

119 Dress fancily, with "out"

120 901, in old Rome

121 Prefix for a vintner

122 Sporty truck, in brief

123 — constrictor

124 Call a halt to

125 Lead-in to "kwon do" or "Bo"

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CONGRESSWOMAN JACKSON LEE:

Enough votes in the House for passage of historic legislation

By **STACY M. BROWN**
NNPA Newswire Senior National Correspondent

For several years congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee has picked up the mantle to lead efforts to create a commission to study reparations for African Americans, and now the Democrat from Texas and others believe they finally have the votes for passage in the U.S. House of Representatives.

“This has been a 30-plus year journey,” congresswoman Jackson Lee declared.

“We had to take a different approach. We had to go one by one to members explaining this does not generate a check.”

Congresswoman Jackson Lee said this week that there’s now enough votes in the House for passage of the historic piece of legislation.

If the measure passes and ultimately becomes law, it will create a commission that would hold hearings with testimony from those who support and oppose the idea.

“Reparations is about repair and when you repair the damage that has been done, you do so much to move a society forward. This commission can be a healing process. Telling the truth can heal America,” she said.

If the Senate doesn’t join the House in passing the bill, the congresswoman said she and others would push President Joe Biden to sign an executive order to create the commission.

The White House didn’t immediately respond.

Congresswoman Jackson Lee added that there has never been another time in which she has garnered so much support and momentum for H.R. 40, the so-called reparations legislation that focuses on



truth, racial healing and transformation.

Congresswoman Jackson Lee recently reflected on the long-overdue redress to African descendants of slaves.

She also praised the resiliency of Black Americans.

“I want to give credit to the giants that were and are Black Americans. They are giants,” congresswoman Jackson Lee declared.

“I want to give credit to the everyday mom and dad who get up every day and get to work and provide for their family. I’m going to give those who came up on the farms or stayed on the farm and raised nine and 10 and 12 children, I want to give them the honor that they deserve, and that is to recognize the insurmountable odds that some of them had and how they continue to plant seeds of respect and dignity in their children.

“Has anyone addressed the question of slavery and

its comprehensive impact on Black Americans in this country? This is what H.R. 40 will do.”

While the bill doesn’t place a monetary value on reparations, it does focus on truth, racial healing and transformation.

The bill would fund a commission to study and develop proposals for providing reparations to African Americans.

The commission’s mission includes identifying the role of federal and state governments in supporting the institution of slavery, forms of discrimination in public and private sectors against freed slaves and their descendants, and lingering adverse effects of slavery on living African Americans and society.

Congresswoman Jackson Lee, who sits on numerous House committees, including the Judiciary, Budget, and Homeland Security, has made the reparations legislation her top priority during the 117th Congress.

“I think if people begin to associate this legislation with what happened to the descendants of enslaved Africans as a human rights violation, the sordid past that violated the human rights of all of us who are descendants of enslaved Africans, I think that we can find common ground to pass this legislation,” congresswoman Jackson Lee pronounced.

“Can anyone imagine that we’ve never gotten a simple, effective, deeply-embedded, and well-respected apology?”

The congresswoman is further encouraged by the support of the most co-sponsors (166) in the bill’s history, which dates back decades to former Democratic Rep. John Conyers Jr., of Michigan, who first introduced the legislation in 1989.

State of the Union: Biden vows to halt Russia, hit inflation

By **ZEKE MILLER and COLLEEN LONG**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Addressing a concerned nation and anxious world, President Joe Biden vowed in his first State of the Union address March 1 to check Russian aggression in Ukraine, tame soaring U.S. inflation and deal with the fading but still dangerous coronavirus.

Biden declared that he and all members of Congress, whatever their political differences, are joined “with an unwavering resolve that freedom will always triumph over tyranny.” He asked lawmakers crowding the House chamber to stand and salute the Ukrainians as he began his speech. They stood and cheered.

It was a notable show of unity after a long year of bitter acrimony between Biden’s Democratic coalition and the Republican opposition.

Biden’s 62-minute speech, which was split between attention to war abroad and worries at home, reflected the same balancing act he now faces in his presidency. He must marshal allied resolve against Russia’s aggression while tending to inflation, COVID-19 fatigue and sagging approval ratings heading into the midterm elections.

Aiming to build on momentum from the speech, Biden will head to Wisconsin in an effort to show Americans that his domestic agenda is working. His vice president and Cabinet members will fan out around the country to amplify the message.

Biden heads again to an old bridge set to be repaired — increasingly a symbol for his administration, tangible evidence of the nation that he’s working to update. This time, it’s a wrought-iron bridge that connects Duluth, Minnesota, and Superior, Wisconsin, across the St. Louis Bay.

The bridge will be replaced using funds from the massive infrastructure plan signed into law last year, a signature piece of bipartisan legislation and proof — Biden says — that the GOP and Democrats can still work together.

In his speech, Biden highlighted the bravery of Ukrainian defenders and a newly reinvigorated Western alliance that has worked to rearm the Ukrainian military and cripple Russia’s economy through sanctions. He acknowledged costs to the American economy, as well, but warned ominously that without consequences, Russian President Vladimir Putin’s aggression wouldn’t be contained to Ukraine.

“Throughout our history we’ve learned this lesson — when dictators do not pay a price for their aggression, they cause more chaos,” Biden said. “They keep moving. And, the costs and threats to America and the world keep rising.”

As Biden spoke, Russian forces were escalating their attacks in Ukraine, having bombarded the central square of country’s second-biggest city and

Kyiv’s main TV tower, killing at least five people. The Babi Yar Holocaust memorial was also damaged.

Biden announced that the U.S. is following Canada and the European Union in banning Russian planes from its airspace in retaliation for the invasion of Ukraine. He also said the Justice Department was launching a task force to go after Russian oligarchs, whom he called “corrupt leaders who have bilked billions of dollars off this violent regime.”

“We are coming for your ill-begotten gains,” he said, pledging that the U.S. and European allies were after their yachts, luxury apartments and private jets.

Biden pivoted in his speech from the troubles abroad to those at home. Even before the Russian invasion sent energy costs skyrocketing, prices for American families had been rising, and the COVID-19 pandemic continues to hurt families and the country’s economy.

Biden outlined plans to address inflation by reinvesting in American manufacturing capacity, speeding supply chains and reducing the burden of child care and elder care on workers.

“Too many families are struggling to keep up with the bills,” Biden said. “Inflation is robbing them of the gains they might otherwise feel. I get it. That’s why my top priority is getting prices under control.”

In one sign of national progress on the pandemic, Biden entered the House chamber without a mask, as coronavirus cases decline and new federal guidance tries to nudge the public back to pre-pandemic activities. But there was evidence of ongoing tension as well: The Capitol was newly fenced due to security concerns after last year’s insurrection.

Set against disquiet at home and danger abroad, the White House had conceived the speech as an opportunity to highlight the improving coronavirus outlook, rebrand Biden’s domestic policy priorities and show a path to lower costs for families grappling with soaring inflation. But events took a turn toward world affairs with last week’s Russian invasion of Ukraine and nuclear saber-rattling by Putin.

As is customary, one Cabinet secretary, in this case Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo, was kept in a secure location during the address, ready to take over the government in the event of a catastrophe.

The State of the Union is typically an address targeted to a national audience, but this year’s had the world watching. In an interview with CNN and Reuters, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy urged Biden to deliver a strong and “useful” message about Russia’s invasion. In a show of unity, Ukrainian Ambassador to the U.S. Oksana Markarova joined first lady Jill Biden in the House gallery for the speech.

In a rare discordant moment, Rep.



Lauren Boebert of Colorado yelled out that Biden was to blame for the 13 service members who were killed during last August’s chaotic U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan.

“You put them in. Thirteen of them,” Boebert yelled as Biden mentioned his late son Beau, a veteran who died from brain cancer and served near toxic military burn pits, used extensively in Iraq and Afghanistan. Biden is pursuing legislation to help veterans suffering exposure and other injuries.

While the crisis in Eastern Europe may have helped to cool partisan tensions in Washington, it didn’t erase the political and cultural discord that is casting doubt on Biden’s ability to deliver.

A February AP-NORC poll found that more people disapproved than approved of how Biden is handling his job, 55% to 44%. That’s down from a 60% favorable rating last July.

Biden, used his remarks to highlight the progress from a year ago — with the majority of the U.S. population now vaccinated and millions more people at work — but also acknowledged that the job is not yet done, a recognition of American discontent.

“I have come to report on the state of the union,” Biden said. “And my report is this: The state of the union is strong — because you, the American people, are strong. We are stronger today than we were a year ago. And we will be stronger a year from now than we are today.”

Iowa Gov. Kim Reynolds, selected to give the Republican response, said Biden’s address came as a blast from the past with rising inflation, rising crime and a resurgent Russia making it feel more like the 1980s than today.

“Even before taking the oath of office, the president said that he wanted to — quote — make America respected around the world again, and to unite us here. He’s failed on both fronts,” she said.

Biden used his speech to nudge the country back “to more normal routines” after the coronavirus reshaped American life.

“It’s time for Americans to get back to work and fill our great downtowns again,” he declared. He said people will be able to order another round of free tests from the government and that

his administration was launching a “test to treat” initiative to provide free antiviral pills at pharmacies to those who test positive for the virus.

Where his speech to Congress last year saw the rollout of a massive social spending package, Biden this year largely repackaged past proposals in search of achievable measures he hopes can win bipartisan support in a bitterly divided Congress before the elections.

The president also highlighted investments in everything from internet broadband access to bridge construction from November’s \$1.2 trillion bipartisan infrastructure law as an example of government reaching consensus and delivering change for the nation.

As part of his pitch to voters, he also put a new emphasis on how proposals like extending the child tax credit and bringing down child care costs could bring relief to families as prices rise. He said his climate change proposals would cut costs for lower- and middle-income families and create new jobs.

Biden called for lowering health care costs, pitching his plan to authorize Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices, as well as an extension of more generous health insurance subsidies now temporarily available through the Affordable Care Act marketplaces where 14.5 million people get coverage.

Biden also appealed for action on voting rights, which has failed to win GOP support. And as gun violence rises, he returned to calls to ban assault weapons, a blunt request he hadn’t made in months. He called to “fund the police with the resources and training they need to protect our communities.”

He led Congress in a bipartisan tribute to retiring Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer and highlighted the biography of federal judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, his nominee be the first Black woman on the high court.

Associated Press writers Darlene Superville, Fatima Hussein, Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar and Lisa Mascaro in Washington and Jason Dearen in New York contributed to this report.

Force Indy and Francis Jr. show promise at season opener

By DANNY BRIDGES

The scenic street course that is St. Petersburg can be a challenging one, and it's safe to say it threw some curveballs at Ernie Francis Jr. as he made his debut with the Force Indy race team in the Indy Lights Series season opener.

The seven-time Trans Am Series champion, who had limited testing in the few weeks prior to the season opener after accepting the opportunity with Force Indy Team Principal Rod Reid, experienced mechanical gremlins of the electrical nature in qualifying and as a result started the race last in the 14th position.

Francis was a hard charger all day, and when it was said and done, he brought it home seventh, holding that position steadily as he fought off Antonio Serravalle and Christian Bogle in a spirited battle in the closing laps.

While I was unable to speak to him after the event, he undoubtedly had to be pleased with his car and the tough passes for position it carried him to throughout the race.

Notes: Matt Brabham won the St. Petersburg Indy Lights event, but he had some good fortune in the process.

Christian Rasmussen ran out of fuel with the victory in sight, enabling Brabham to move up from the runner-up position and snatch the victory.

Ernie Francis Jr., accompanied by Force Indy Team Principal Rob Reid, visited Academy Prep Middle School in St. Petersburg to talk with an enthusiastic audience of students about career opportunities in motorsports.

St. Petersburg was a homecoming of sorts for Francis, who resides in Davie, Florida, which is roughly 25 miles north of Miami. He also made his professional driving debut here in 2013, competing in the Pirelli World Challenge Series.

Myles Rowe, who piloted the Force Indy USF 2000 series entry last year to a victory in the season finale, won his second race in St. Petersburg driving the Penske Entertainment-Pabst Racing entry. Keep an eye on Rowe as the young man has talent, as he demonstrated by turning the fastest lap of the race.

Scott McLaughlin qualified on the pole and never looked back, leading 50 laps in the process as he captured his first career IndyCar Series win in the Grand Prix of St. Petersburg. The affable second-year Team Penske driver held off defending NTT IndyCar Series champion Alex Palou to set off a celebration in his home country of New Zealand. McLaughlin's teammate, Will Power, rounded out the top three at the podium on a day where 22 of the 26 starters finished on the lead lap.

The banked bullring of a track known as Texas Motor Speedway will host the next NTT IndyCar Series race March 20, while the Indy Lights Series resumes competition May 1 at Barber Motorsports Park in Alabama.

Danny Bridges, who could get used to watching open-wheel racing in sunny Florida and writing about it, can be reached at 317-370-8447 or at bridgeshd@aol.com.



Force Indy driver Ernie Francis Jr. (Photo/Jim and Sherri Barnett)



Ernie Francis Jr. finished seventh in the Indy Lights Grand Prix of St. Petersburg in Florida.

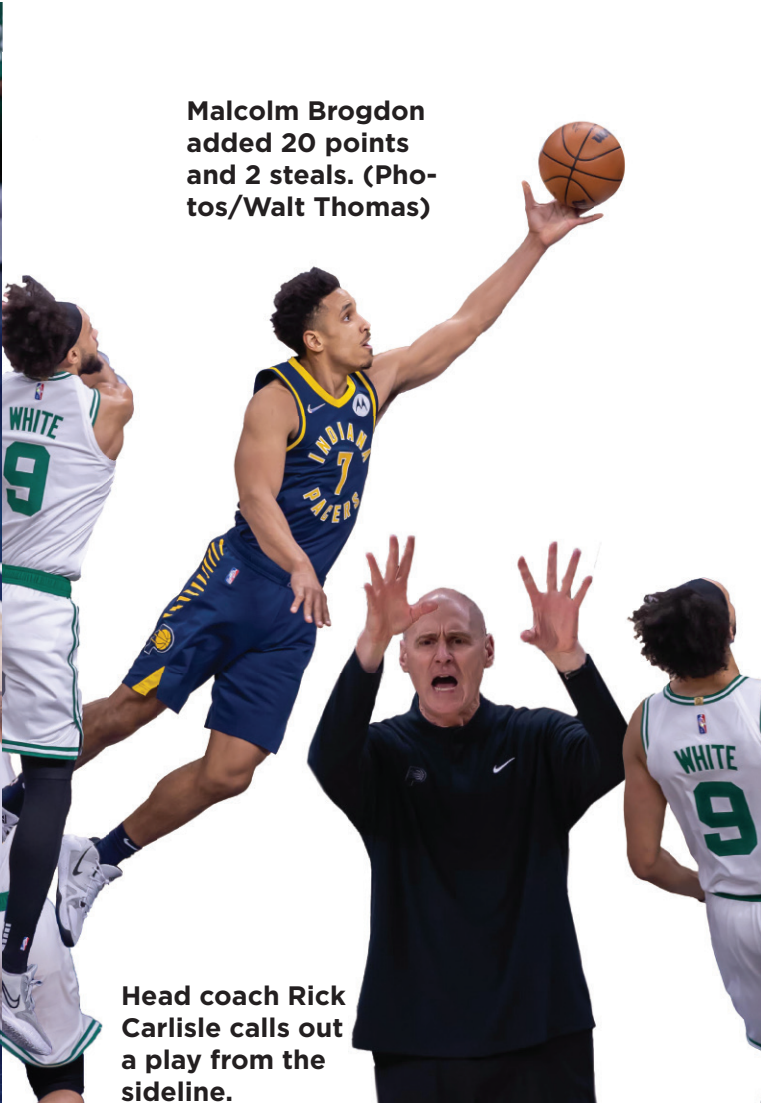


Roger Penske (l) and Force Indy Team Principal Rob Reid (r) keep an eye on Francis as he competes. (Photos/Jim and Sherri Barnett)

Pacers get rare win vs. Celtics



Isaiah Jackson scored 11 points in the Pacers' 128-107 win over the Celtics on Feb. 27.



Head coach Rick Carlisle calls out a play from the sideline.



Goga Bitadze had 2 points off of the bench.

Malcolm Brogdon added 20 points and 2 steals. (Photos/Walt Thomas)